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Spruce Pine, NC
and
Roan Mountain Baptist Church
Bakersville, NC

The next Annual Session to be held with
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Spruce Pine, NC
August 25, 1997

Cane Creek Baptist Church
Bakersville, NC
August 26, 1997

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224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine

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MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1997 ..... Dr. Julius Aldridge
Term Expiring 1998 ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, Chairman
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1997 ..... Rev. Mark McKinney
Rev. Lee Ayers
Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. Steve Sisk
Rev. Tom Watson, Chairman
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. David Johnson
Rev. Michael Brown

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1997 ..... Rev. Max Holland
Term Expiring 1998 ..... Eldon Cooke
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. John Chick

SEMINARY EXTENSION

Term Expiring 1997 ..... Rev. Alvin Carpenter
Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. John Chick
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan, Chairman

ORDINATION EXAMINING COMMITTEE*

Term Expiring 1997 ..... Rev. Steve Sisk
Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. Jay Orr
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. David Troutman
*Plus the Moderator, the Director of Missions, and the Candidate's pastor.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1997 ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro, Chairman
Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. George Gouge
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Glen Thompson

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

	North	Central	South
Term Expiring 1997	Bruce Stamey Cane Creek	Richard Sparks Lily Branch	Ted Sparks Crabtree Chapel
Term Expiring 1998	Ivan Greene Fork Mountain	Ray Buchanan Silver Chapel	Melvin Dellinger Freedom
Term Expiring 1999	Don Stafford Calvary	Gerold Grindstaff Snow Hill	John Chick Beaver Creek

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the listed Associational officers, all pastors, and the following elected by the churches.)

ALTAPASS ..... Chris Henley
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BEAR CREEK ..... Leonard Wiggins
109 Church Rd., Bakersville

BERRY CHAPEL ..... Ray Young
205 Cabin Rd., Spruce Pine

CENTRAL ..... John Wellborn
210 Martha Drive, Spruce Pine

CHESTNUT GROVE ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
729 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine

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FREEDOM ..... Carl Roach
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GRASSY CREEK ..... Vera Riddle
103 Azalea Drive, Spruce Pine

LIBERTY HILL ..... Max Cabe
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McKINNEY COVE ..... Arthur Baker
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106 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine

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110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine

SERMONS FOR 1997 SESSIONS

Monday ..... Rev. Mark McKinney
Alternate - Rev. David Johnson

Tuesday ..... Rev. Fred Proctor
Alternate - Rev. John Chick

TRUSTEES

Lee Sparks, Alvin Livingston, Walter Hoyle, Windle Young

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

Mountain View ..... Daniel Honeycutt
Poplar Creek Rd., Bakersville
Howard Honeycutt
Bakersville

MINISTERS ORDAINED DURING THE YEAR

Freedom ..... Rev. Greg Hollifield
518 Rock House Creek Rd., Spruce Pine

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. Tom Watson, - Chairman, Rev. Jay Orr, Rev. Mark McKinney

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Russell McKinney - Chairman, Rev. William Whitfield, Rev. Alvin Carpenter

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: Rev. Max Holland - Chairman, Rev. John Chick, Rev. David Johnson

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Dallas Renfro - Chairman, Rev. Steve Williams, Rev. Astor Buchanan

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ALTAPASS: Rev. Steve Sisk, Carol Sisk, Gladys Saxon, Ray Saxon, Iris Burleson, Louella Polechio, George Buchanan, Chuck Pendley, Sondra Stewart, Decima McKinney

BEAR CREEK: Rev. Max Holland, James Miller, Helen Miller, Kathleen Buchanan, Rev. Howard Buchanan, Russell Burleson, Marie Jarrett, Irene Sparks

BEAVER CREEK: Rev. John Chick, Sherrie Pendley, Roger Pendley, Martha Pendley

BERRY CHAPEL: Rev. George Gouge, Ella Gouge, Betty Carpenter, Judy Greer, Mary Stafford, Wanda Sue Owens

BIG CRABTREE: Rev. William Whitfield, Jeanette Whitfield, Claude Willis, Dora Willis, Rev. Daniel Whetstine

BLACK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Greg Hollifield, Beverly Hollifield

CALVARY: Rev. Don Stafford, Edward Beaver, Guy Sparks

CANE CREEK: Rev. Mark McKinney, Roger Buchanan, Jeff Buchanan, Garry Robinson, Doris Ledford, Rexie Ward, Linzie Ward, Beulah Ledford

CENTRAL: Monroe Bridges

CHESTNUT GROVE: Rev. Alvin Carpenter, Rev. Richard Hollifield

CRABTREE CHAPEL: Ted Sparks, Mrs. Charlie Renfro, Rev. Dallas Renfo

FORK MOUNTAIN: Ivan Greene, Carmella Hughes, Mary Thomas

FREEDOM: Rev. David Troutman, Melvin Dellinger, Naomi Dellinger, Gladys Burleson, Donna Bailey, Carl Roach, Mrs. Carl Roach, Kenneth Pritchard

GRASSY CREEK: Rev. Sibbald Lambert, Mary G. Ballew, Fred E. Burleson, Wilma Burleson, Charlie McKinney, Elizabeth McKinney, Dorothy McKinney, Dick Vance, Cornell Vance, Lucille Cook, Lee McClellan, Jack Riddle, Vera Riddle, Naomi Leamon, Otto Leamon

LEDGER: Rev. David Wiseman, Reed Burleson

LIBERTY HILL: Margaret Freeman, Virginia Miller, Roger Miller, Doris Proffitt, Irene Hoyle, Walter Hoyle, Sr., Jenny Buckner, Keith Buckner

LILY BRANCH: Rev. Steve Williams, Jackie Thomas, Dorothy Grindstaff, Carl Murdock, Regina Murdock, Mabel Murdock, Margaret Silver

LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rev. Erby McKinney, Louise McKinney, Rosa Edwards, Tommie Edwards

McKINNEY COVE: Rev. Russell McKinney, Tonya McKinney, Marlene Ayers, Johnny Ayers

MINE CREEK: Rev. David Johnson, Judy Roberts, Jean McCourry, Arlin Johnson, Mark Roberts

MOUNT CARMEL: Rev. Michael Brown, Avery Buchanan, Toby Crowder

PINE BRANCH: Fred O. Burleson, Lucille Burleson

ROAN MOUNTAIN: Rev. Tom Watson, Chris Renfro, Kevin McKinney

SILVER CHAPEL: Rev. Jay Orr, Brenda Silver, Fred L. Howell, Mozell Howell

SNOW HILL: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, J.D. Hughes, Veida Ayers, Rev. Lee Ayers

SPRING CREEK: Luther Street

TOECANE: Rev. Jack Callahan, Joe Grindstaff, Betty Grindstaff
WHITE OAK: Rev. James (Buster) Yelton, Marcella Bailey, Juanita McMahan, Peggy McMahan, Marian McNeill

CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: First, the officers of the Association; Second, Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; Third, Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one-hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Discipleship Training Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members of the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5B. A Budget and Finance Committee. This committee shall consist of six lay persons and three pastors with no church having more than one member. Their terms of service shall be for three years with three members rotating off each year.

The Nominating Committee shall include in their report each year the names of three persons for membership on the Budget and Finance Committee. The committee will elect their own chairperson.

The Moderator, Treasurer, and Director of Missions shall serve as ex officio members of this committee.

It shall be the duty of this committee to receive individual budget requests from department directors and committee chairpersons, and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet the needs in light of anticipated contributions from the churches.

This committee shall publish the proposed budget sixty days prior to the annual meeting, and seek opportunities to promote the proposed budget in the churches.

Once the budget has been adopted, the committee will be available to advise the treasurer regarding disbursements, especially when "Cash on Deposit" makes

it necessary to give priority to certain line items in the budget.

Article 5C. Associational Council

1. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Discipleship Training, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Historian.
2. The Association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to coordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.
3. The council shall be responsible for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for coordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.
4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.
5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Article 5D. Missions Committee

This committee shall be composed of five (5) members. The duties of this committee are:

1. To work with the Director of Missions and serve as the mediator between him and the Association.
2. To work with local churches or groups contemplating the establishment of new work and/or missions.
3. To promote the missionary and extension work of the Association.

Article 5E. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Monday and Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefore shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the second day's session.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

148th ANNUAL SESSION
Mitchell County Baptist Association

Beaver Creek Baptist Church
Monday, August 26, 1996
3:30 - 9:00 P.M.

Scripture Theme: Philippians 4:13
"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

3:30 Call to Order ..... Rev. George Gouge, Moderator

Hymn #132 ..... "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name"

Welcome ..... Rev. John Chick

	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. David Johnson
	Committee Report: Order of Business	Rev. Steve Sisk
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
3:45	Special Music	Carol Sisk
3:50	Theme Interpretation	Rev. Michael Brown
4:05	Evangelism Report	Rev. Tom Watson
4:15	WMU Report	Marlene Ayers
4:25	Sunday School Report	Richard McKinney
4:35	Hymn #474	"We Shall See The King Someday"
4:40	Hispanic Ministry	Charles Alonso
4:50	Special Music	Lisa Thomas
5:00	Challenge Message	Rev. Bill Bryant
5:30	Benediction and Blessing on the meal	

(Break for the evening meal)

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7:00	Call to Order	Rev. George Gouge, Moderator
	Hymn #144	"I Will Sing The Wondrous Story"
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. Steve Williams
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Blue Ridge Prison Ministry Report	Rev. Russell Hoilman
7:45	DOM Report	Rev. Daniel Whetstine
7:55	Hymn #475	"Face To Face With Christ"
8:00	Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, Welcome of New Pastors, Treasurer's Report, Budget & Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and Miscellaneous Business	

8:25	Special Music	Wendy Ellis
8:30	Annual Sermon	Dr. Kenneth Gaskin
9:00	Benediction	

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Roan Mountain Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 27, 1996
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

7:00	Call to Order	Rev. George Gouge, Moderator
	Hymn #282	"Living for Jesus"
	Welcome	Rev. Tom Watson
	Scripture and Prayer	Greg Hollifield
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Special Music	Pastors' Choir
7:25	Mission Message	Rev. Keith Blalock
8:00	Hymn #294	"Have Thine Own Way Lord"
	Recognitions, Announcements, Nominating Committee's Report, Election of Officers, Program Committee, and Miscellaneous Business	
8:15	Special Music	Roan Mountain Choir
8:25	Annual Sermon	Rev. Russell McKinney
9:00	Benediction	

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Beaver Creek Baptist Church
August 26, 1996
3:30 P.M.

1. The 148th Annual Session of the Mitchell County Baptist Association met on Monday afternoon, August 26, 1996, 3:30 P.M., at Beaver Creek Baptist Church, in Spruce Pine. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. George Gouge, pastor of Berry Chapel Baptist Church. The scriptural theme for this year's sessions was "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Philippians 4:13

2. The congregation was led by Rev. David Troutman, in singing the hymn, "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name."

3. Rev. John Chick, pastor of Beaver Creek Baptist Church, gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

4. Rev. David Johnson, pastor of Mine Creek Baptist Church, read from Acts 2:42-47 and Acts 4:12-13, and led in the opening prayer.

5. The Order of Business Report was given by Rev. Steve Sisk, who made the motion to accept the program for the 1996 Annual Sessions. The motion was seconded and approved.

6. Judy Greer, Associational Clerk, gave the roll call of churches. Twenty-four churches were represented. (See Messengers to Association for names of churches and messengers, pages 6-7.) Registration Cards were taken up at this time.

7. Special music was provided by Mrs. Carol Sisk, from Altapass Baptist Church.

8. Our "Theme Interpretation" was brought by Rev. Michael Brown, pastor of Mount Carmel Baptist Church.

9. Rev. Tom Watson, Evangelism Chairman, gave a report on the recent Evangelistic Crusade. He made a motion for the adoption of this report and it was so moved, seconded and approved.

10. In the absence of the WMU Director and assistant, Judy Greer, reported on the past year's events and upcoming year for WMU. This report was approved.

11. In the absence of the Sunday School director, attention was called to the Sunday School Report in the Book of Reports. This report was approved. The

Director of Missions reminded everyone of the upcoming "Fall Festival of Sunday School, to be held September 16, at Mount Carmel Baptist Church.

12. The congregation was led in the hymn, "Amazing Grace."

13. A report on the Hispanic Ministry was given by Charles Alonso. This report was approved. Afterwards a special offering was taken to help with this ministry.

14. Rev. David Troutman made an announcement about his Youth Rally to be held on Saturday, August 31, at Freedom Baptist Church.

15. Special music was provided by Lisa Thomas, member of Freedom Baptist Church, who sang, "In Heaven's Eyes."

16. A Challenge Message was brought by Rev. Bill Bryant, pastor of West Court Street Baptist Church in Marion. His scripture passage was John 6:47-71 and he spoke on "Why Should We Keep On When Others All Around Us Are Giving Up?"

17. A benediction and blessing on the evening meal was given by Rev. David Johnson, pastor of Mine Creek Baptist Church.

Break for evening meal.

18. The evening session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. George Gouge.

19. The congregation was led in the hymn, "I Will Sing The Wondrous Story."

20. Rev. Steve Williams, pastor of Lily Branch Baptist Church, read the scripture Nehemiah 6:15-16 and led in prayer.

21. A second roll call of the churches was given with four additional churches represented. This makes twenty-eight churches represented.

22. A report on the Blue Ridge Prison Ministry was given by Rev. Russell Hoilman, Prison Chaplain. He introduced Frank Shirley who is the area Chaplain. Rev. Hoilman gave a slide presentation and had a time for questions and answers. Rev. Dallas Renfro is a representative for our area and is on the Steering Committee. He is available to speak to the churches about this ministry.

23. Rev. Daniel Whetstine gave his annual Director of Missions' report. He reported on events of the past year and on events for the 1996-97 year. This report was given as information.

24. The congregation sang the hymn, "There Is Power In The Blood."

25. Rev. Max Holland, Chairman for the Time, Place and Preacher Committee, asked for volunteers in next year's locations for our annual meeting.

26. Rev. Dallas Renfro announced the dates for the Camp Meeting at the Tri-County Tabernacle, which is to begin on August 28.

27. Rev. George Gouge called attention to the Committees appointed by the Moderator. (See page 5)

28. The Moderator gave a welcome to the new pastors in the association. This included: Rev. David Johnson, pastor of Mine Creek Baptist church, Rev. Steve Williams, pastor of Lily Branch Baptist Church and Rev. David Wiseman, pastor of Ledger Baptist Church. They were given a warm welcome into our association.

29. Regina Murdock, Associational Treasurer, gave the year-end Treasurer's Report. She reported a balance in the treasury of $11,310.19. In the absence of the Budget and Finance Committee Chairman, Regina also presented the Proposed Budget for 1996-97. With no questions, the motion was made for its adoption. It was seconded and approved.

30. The Executive Committee Report was presented as information by the Associational Clerk, Judy Greer.

31. Attention was called to the Constitution. A change is proposed for Article 5-B on the Budget and Finance Comittee. It now reads "This committee shall consist of nine lay persons with no church having more than one member. Their terms of service shall be for three years with three members rotating off each year. This would be changed to: "This committee shall consist of six lay persons and three pastors with no church having more than one member. Their terms of service shall be for three years with three members rotating off each year." This will be voted on the second night.

32. Special music was provided by Wendy Ellis, a member of Bear Creek Baptist Church.

33. Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, pastor of Snow Hill Baptist Church, brought the Annual Sermon. He was alternate to Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, who had been called out of town. Rev. Grindstaff's scripture was John 4:31-38 and he spoke on "Harvest Time."

34. The benediction was given by Rev. Daniel Whetstine.

Roan Mountain Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 27, 1996
7:00 P.M.

35. Rev. George Gouge, Moderator, called the second night's session to order. He reported that the offering on the previous night for the Hispanic Ministry was $300.

36. The congregation sang the hymn, "Because He Lives."

37. Rev. Greg Hollifield, Interim pastor of Black Mountain Baptist Church, read the scripture Matthew 5:14-16 and led in the opening prayer.

38. Rev. Tom Watson, pastor of Roan Mountain, gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

39. A roll call of churches was given by the clerk, with twenty-four churches represented.

40. Special music was provided by the Pastors' Choir.

41. A mission message was given by Rev. Keith Blalock, a missionary to Romania. His scripture references were II Corinthians 4:1-7 and Romans 4:24-25. Rev. Blalock is preparing to return to Romania within the month.

42. The congregation was led in the hymn, "Have Thine Own Way Lord."

43. Reggie Gilmore from the Baptist Children's Home was recognized. He invited everyone over for their annual barbecue dinner and tour of the Children's Home in Clyde.

44. The Time, Place and Preacher Committee announced that for the 1997 Annual Session, the first night's meeting will be at Mount Carmel Baptist Church and the second night at Cane Creek Baptist Church. The annual sermons will be announced later.

45. In miscellaneous business, the Constitution Committee asked for the change in Article 5-B, presented on the previous night. The motion was made for the change and it was seconded and approved.

46. Rev. Dallas Renfro, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, expressed apprecation to Beaver Creek Baptist Church and Roan Mountain Baptist Church for their kind hospitality expressed to the messengers and visitors during the 1996 Annual Sessions.

47. The Moderator made the recommendation that the Jesus Saves Baptist Church stay under the watchcare of the association for another year. Rev. Kermit Biddix is to report every three months to the association during the year. This recommendation was so moved, seconded and approved.

48. Rev. Daniel Whetstine called attention to the Nominating Committee's

Report. A motion was made for its adoption and it was approved. A space on the Budget and Finance Committee was filled with the nomination of Rev. John Chick to serve until 1999.

49. The election of officers began with Rev. Dallas Renfro nomininating Rev. George Gouge to serve a second year as Moderator. With no other nominations, the motion carried. Rev. David Troutman was nominated for Vice-Moderator. With no other nominations, the motion was seconded and approved. Judy Greer was nominated to continue as clerk. The motion carried. Regina Murdock was nominated to continue as treasurer. The motion was seconded and approved.

50. Special music was provided by Roan Mountain Choir, directed by Oscar Horrell.

51. Rev. Russell McKinney, pastor of McKinney Cove Baptist Church, brought the Annual Sermon. His text was taken from Luke 5:1-7. He spoke on "Do The Little Things."

52. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. George Gouge.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

January 18, 1996

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, January 18, 1996, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. George Gouge, Moderator, presided, and called the meeting to order. Rev. Steve Williams, new pastor of Lily Branch Baptist Church, read scripture and Rev. David Troutman led in prayer.

Our moderator welcomed Rev. Williams to our association.

The following churches were represented: *Altapass, *Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Cane Creek, *Crabtree Chapel, *Freedom, *Lily Branch, *McKinney Cove, *Pine Branch, and *Roan Mountain. (Asterisk indicates presence of pastor.) A total of 17 people were in attendance.

Regina Murdock, treasurer, reported that our balance in the treasury was $12,046.48 with all bills paid up to date.

Old business included work that needed to be done around the associational office (painting, yard work, etc.) This will be done in summer.

✡ Partnership With Southern Africa – Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Director of Missions, asked that the association join with North Carolina in a partnership with Southern Africa which will continue over the next five years. A motion was made and a second was given to participate in this effort. Dr. Kenneth Gaskin will be our representative on a trip to Southern Africa in February. This is a fact-finding trip. Churches will be asked to give an offering to help with the

$2,000 cost for this trip. What does not come in will be taken from the associational treasury.

✡ Medical/Dental Van – Ken Gaskin has been in contact with the State Convention and reserved a date for the association to have the Medical/Dental Van in our county. This date is Friday, June 21, 1996. A motion was made and seconded to use this van for both medical and dental needs. It was reported that we would need professional workers and volunteers. Target groups will be low income and elderly. Rev. George Gouge volunteered Berry Chapel for home base for the van. The costs for the association will depend on the number of people that are treated.

✡ West Virginia Summer Project – Ken Gaskin reported that a West Virginia Summer Mission Trip was being planned for a second year. This would begin July 15, at the Brighter Day Baptist Chapel in Union, West Virginia. This would include Bible School, door-to-door visitation and night services.

✡ Hispanic Ministry – Ken Gaskin made a request for next year's budget to include a ministry to the Hispanic population of the county. The Director of Missions stated that the State Convention could possibly help us with the cost of this effort.

The Moderator told of a speaker coming to Mitchell County, May 6. Clebe McClary a dynamic Christian speaker will be speaking to the public and the schools. More details will be given later.

The Director of Missions announced a Retirement Seminar for pastors (especially targeting bi-vocational pastors) on March 21, 6:30 P.M. at Beam's Restaurant.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer. The next scheduled meeting will be Thursday, April 18.

April 18, 1996

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, April 18, 1996, for its regularly scheduled session. The meeting was called to order by Rev. David Troutman, Vice-Moderator. Rev. Buster Yelton, pastor of White Oak, opened the meeting with prayer.

The following churches were represented: Bear Creek, Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Chestnut Grove, Crabtree Chapel, *Freedom, Grassy Creek, Lily Branch, *Roan Mountain, and *White Oak. (Asterisk indicates presence of pastor.) A total of 15 people were in attendance.

The Minutes from the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved by the members. Regina Murdock, treasurer, reported that our balance in the treasury was $9,719.18 with all bills paid up to date.

Reports were given on:

WMU – it was stated that the WMU Training Session on April 15 had gone well and that approximately 30 people were in attendance.

Evangelism – Rev. Tom Watson, Evangelism Chairman, reported that the area-wide Crusade was still being planned. The dates are set for August 5-9, with

Rev. Eugene Ridley as guest evangelist.

The Director of Missions brought to the attention of the members that the Camp Meeting in August had been scheduled at the same time of our Annual Meeting. This is going to be looked into.

Our Director also stated that the Medical/Dental Van that had been scheduled to be here in June, had to cancel. The van will be rescheduled for next year.

Our Director of Missions gave a report on the Hispanic Ministry. This ministry will start at the Tabernacle on May 5, and will include local Hispanics and the surrounding counties. Charles Alonso will be the director of the Wilderness Hispanic Mission. Money is needed for Spanish Bibles and hymn books. A church in Avery County has given $500 to be used for the purchase of Bibles. Sunday School literature will be needed after the Mission has been established.

Our Director stated that at the first of 1997, Rev. Howard Buchanan would be rotating off of our General Board at the state convention. It was suggested that we ask either Dallas Renfro or Ken Gaskin to take this position. More details will be given later.

Old business included the West Virginia mission trip for summer. There are three churches in West Virginia that need teams for summer missions. It was stated that Brighter Day Baptist Chapel where Fred Proctor is pastor, is still in financial need.

The next scheduled meeting for the Executive Committee will be Thursday, July 18.

The meeting was adjourned.

July 18, 1996

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, July 18, 1996, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Director of Missions, presided and called the meeting to order. Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, pastor of Snow Hill, read scripture and led in a time of prayer.

The following churches were represented: Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, Grassy Creek, Lily Branch, *Mine Creek, *Roan Mountain, and *Snow Hill. (Asterisk indicates presence of pastor.) A total of nine people were in attendance.

The Minutes from the April meeting were read by the clerk and approved by the members. The treasurer reported that the balance in our treasury was $12,0005.01.

Old business included:

– The Camp Meeting at the Tabernacle will conflict with our annual meeting in August, but neither date can be changed.

– The Hispanic Ministry is still in need of funding and transportation. Our director reported that there are two churches in Yancey that are willing to use their vans if drivers can be found for them.

– The DOM gave information about a new policy wherein the General Board will no longer be selecting representatives from individual associations. Beginning in 1997 the General Board members will be selected regionally.

New Business included:

– Our treasurer, Regina Murdock, presented the 1996-97 Budget. There were no questions. The Director of Missions called attention to the allotment that had been made for a student missionary next summer.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by Rev. Tom Watson, pastor, Roan Mountain Baptist Church. Next meeting to be the Annual Meeting on August 26 and 27.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Greer

What are the tasks of an Association?

J. C. Bradley lists ten in his book
The Baptist Association

1. ***Nurture harmony in faith and practice.***
2. ***Nurture fellowship among thechurches.***
3. ***Call the churches to be on mission.***
4. ***Provide resources and services to churches and leaders.***
5. ***Train, develop, and encourage church and associational workers.***
6. ***Provide opportunities for working together in missions, ministries, growth, and evangelism.***
7. ***Establish and maintain appropriate communications and relationships with the community and denomination.***
8. ***Govern the Association under the Lordship of Christ.***
9. ***Plan the Association's program and manage its resources.***
10. ***Provide information about the churches to the denomination.***

CHURCHES GIVING TO ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Year Ending, July 31, 1996

CHURCH	MAY---JULY	AUG.---APR.	TOTALS
Altapass	$ 1,002.00	$ 2,887.00	$ 3,889.00
Bakersville	769.50	767.00	1,536.50
Bear Creek	999.94	3,000.06	4,000.00
Beaver Creek	603.00	1,004.40	1,607.40
Berry Chapel	1,000.02	3,000.06	4,000.08
Big Crabtree	304.00	883.00	1,187.00
Big Rock Creek	0	0	0
Black Mountain	256.68	750.74	1,007.42
Calvary	96.79	276.84	373.63
Cane Creek	160.00	320.00	480.00
Central	255.15	912.08	1,167.23
Chestnut Grove	105.09	350.13	455.22
Crabtree Chapel	191.93	586.03	777.96
Fork Mountain	0	0	0
Freedom	759.38	1,574.77	2,334.15
Grassy Creek	924.99	2,774.97	3,699.96
Ledger	0	728.06	728.06
Liberty Hill	600.00	1,200.00	1,800.00
Lily Branch	925.29	2,324.92	3,250.21
Little Rock Creek	296.42	507.65	804.07
McKinney Cove	0	955.00	955.00
Mine Creek	248.72	199.65	448.37
Mount Carmel	641.63	1,318.97	1,960.60
Mountain View	0	0	0
Pine Branch	1,262.05	2,478.36	3,740.41
Roan Mountain	393.49	769.13	1,162.62
Silver Chapel	850.96	1,557.14	2,408.10
Snow Hill	229.69	783.87	1,013.56
Spring Creek	120.00	360.00	480.00
Spruce Pine, First	150.00	500.00	650.00
Toecane	0	0	0
White Oak	0	200.00	200.00
TOTALS	$ 13,146.72	$ 32,969.83	$ 46,116.55

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET

	1995-96	1996-97
I. PERSONNEL MINISTRIES		
Director of Missions:		
Salary	$ 8,100.00	$ 8,100.00
Housing Allowance	2,400.00	3,000.00
Travel Reimbursement	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Secretary	14,700.00	15,435.00
II. MISSION SUPPORT MINISTRIES WITH THE LOCAL CHURCH		
Sunday School/VBS	400.00	650.00
Discipleship Training/Memory Work	350.00	350.00
Brotherhood	75.00	75.00
WMU	300.00	300.00
Evangelism	1,000.00	1,000.00
Church Music	100.00	100.00
Youth	250.00	250.00
Blue Ridge Youth Center Ministry	1,500.00	2,100.00
Hispanic Ministry	0	600.00
III. OUR ADMINISTRATIVE - SUPPORT MINISTRIES		
Missionary's Retirement	4,000.00	4,000.00

Conventions, Conferences, Workshops, etc.	600.00	700.00
Social Security Allowance:		
Director of Missions	800.00	800.00
Secretary	1,125.00	1,190.00
Hospital Insurance/Secretary	4,500.00	4,800.00
Treasurer's Honorarium	150.00	400.00
Christmas Bonuses:		
Director of Missions	500.00	500.00
Secretary	400.00	400.00
Telephone	800.00	800.00
Office Supplies & Repairs	2,000.00	2,500.00
Postage	1,350.00	1,500.00
Utilities	1,200.00	1,200.00
Fire Insurance	450.00	500.00
Miscellaneous Expense	400.00	1,000.00
Memorials	100.00	100.00
Supplies for Risograph	1,000.00	1,500.00
Summer Student Missionary	0	1,000.00
Building & Grounds Maintenance	1,000.00	1,000.00
Resource & Workshop Material	400.00	400.00
Audio/Visual Equipment	400.00	600.00
Benevolence Fund	700.00	500.00
TOTAL	$ 52,550.00	$ 58,850.00

Submitted by the Budget and Finance Committee
Richard Haney, Chairman

TREASURER'S REPORT
Twelve Months Ending, July 31, 1996

RECEIPTS:	MAY-JULY	AUG.-APR.	TOTALS
Church Contributions	$ 13,146.72	$ 32,969.83	$ 46,116.55
Sale of Supplies, Printing, etc.	165.50	642.33	807.83
Minute Fund	0	851.25	851.25
Avery Prison	0	44.01	44.01
NC State Convention Supplement/DOM	0	205.00	205.00
NC State Con. Supplement/Sec. Annuity	450.00	1,350.00	1,800.00
Avery Assoc. Reimburse/DOM Health Ins.	1,481.12	2,898.96	4,380.08
Other Contributions	0	40.00	40.00
N.C. Sales Tax Refund	81.03	220.33	301.36
Blue Ridge Youth Center	211.93	602.02	813.95
Southern Africa Trip	0	400.00	400.00
Broyhill Christmas Gift	0	35.00	35.00
State Conv. (share of State Offering)	0	1,149.82	1,149.82
AIDS Project for WMU	0	181.00	181.00
Hispanic Ministry	200.78	444.00	644.78
WMU Reimbursement	92.13	0	92.13
Stewardship Meal Reimbursement	278.62	0	278.62
Evangelistic Crusade .	600.00	0	600.00
Southern Africa Tent Fund	600.00	0	600.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$ 17,307.83	$ 42,033.55	$ 59,341.38

DISBURSEMENTS:			
Director of Missions -			
Salary	$ 2,025.00	$ 6,075.00	$ 8,100.00
Housing	600.00	1,800.00	2,400.00
Travel-Auto	375.00	1,125.00	1,500.00
Conventions, Workshops, etc.	65.00	400.00	465.00
Social Security Allowance	200.00	600.00	800.00
Office Secretary - Gross	3,675.00	11,025.00	14,700.00
Annuity Board - DOM Retirement	999.00	2,964.00	3,963.00
- Secretary's Retirement	450.00	1,350.00	1,800.00
Hospital Insurance & Term Life - DOM	1,110.84	3,269.24	4,380.08
Hosptial Insurance-Secretary	1,191.09	3,475.19	4,666.28
Social Security - Secretary $ 562.24			
Less Withheld 281.12	281.12	834.72	1,115.84
Office Supplies & Repairs	341.74	1,307.80	1,649.54
Computer Supplies & Enhancement	101.40	631.96	733.36
Telephone	164.31	497.30	661.61
Postage	360.89	955.75	1,316.64
Avery Prison	0	44.01	44.01
Electric Power	159.70	904.99	1,064.69
Fire Insurance	186.00	268.00	454.00
Bank Service Charges	6.00	5.86	11.86

Annual Meeting Expense	0	93.60	93.60
Secretaries' Conference	0	119.75	119.75
Memorials/Flowers	0	37.10	37.10
WMU	66.00	222.43	288.43
Treasurer's Honorarium	0	150.00	150.00
Building & Grounds Maintenance	214.82	544.40	759.22
Benevolent Fund	0	16.95	16.95
Risograph Supplies & Maintenance	229.67	1,007.47	1,237.14
Church Music	0	157.48	157.48
Sunday School/VBS	278.93	615.80	894.73
Audio/Visual Supplies	0	469.30	469.30
Blue Ridge Youth Center - Designated	211.93	602.02	813.95
Christmas Bonus:			
Director of Missions	0	500.00	500.00
Office Secretary	0	400.00	400.00
Printing of Minutes	0	1,017.60	1,017.60
Annual Fee - Sam's Club	0	35.00	35.00
Blue Ridge Youth Center - Budgeted	375.00	1,125.00	1,500.00
Broyhill Christmas Gift	0	35.00	35.00
Southern Africa Trip	0	2,000.00	2,000.00
Visa Card Annual Fee	0	20.00	20.00

Federal Income taxes withheld	(660.00)	(880.00)	(1,540.00)
NC Income taxes withheld	(197.10)	(262.80)	(459.90)
Federal Income Taxes Paid	660.00	660.00	1,320.00
NC Income Taxes Paid	197.10	197.10	394.20
Resource & Workshop Materials	0	14.20	14.20
AIDS Project for WMU	0	181.00	181.00
Discipleship Training/Memory Work	0	120.00	120.00
Hispanic Ministry	731.83	0	731.83
Stewardship Meal	278.62	0	278.62
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$ 14,678.89	$ 46,732.22	$ 61,411.11
Cash on Deposit, April 30, 1996			$ 10,061.33
Add: Receipts for May-June-July			17,307.83
TOTAL			$ 27,369.16
Less: Disbursements for May-June-July			14,678.89
Cash on Deposit, July 31, 1996			12,690.27
Less: Designated Relief Fund			492.16
Less: Designated Benevolent Fund			230.11
Less: Designated Evangelistic Crusade			600.00
Less: Designated Southern Africa Tent			600.00
AVAILABLE BALANCE, JULY 31, 1996			$ 10,768.00

Respectfully submitted,
Regina Murdock, Treasurer

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

Primed for excitement after three hours waiting under a bright summer sky, hundreds of spectators craned their necks and peered toward downtown Asheville, June 26, when Michael Owen jogged into view – carrying the Olympic Torch on outstretched arm. Michael, one of 1,422 children Baptist Children's Homes served in 1995-96, lives at Broyhill Home in Clyde, one of 12 facilities BCH operates in North Carolina.

Smiling and waving to the crowds holding aloft tiny flags and cameras, Michael lifted the symbol of international unity and pointed to friends among those who lined the parade route.

The entire Broyhill Home campus showed up, cheering wildly. They ate picnics at the end of Michael's route, and swarmed him when he passed the flame to the next carrier – a bicycle rider.

It could have been a family reunion, or a school scene, or a re-creation for a movie on family support. But Michael, and most of his supporters, are children who have suffered unspeakable abuses at the hands of adults they trusted to care for them.

And the adults who waded into that mob scene of joy at the end of Michael's run are called of God to help young people like Michael and those who surround him deal with those issues, and to overcome them.

As a boy, Michael was so ashamed of his clothes he ran home from school, never stopping to make friends. Worse, he endured almost nightly beatings from his father. He was 11 years old before he realized other boys weren't beaten every night. Four years later he found the courage to tell is father he was leaving.

"Go ahead, call someone," he yelled. "Leave!"

Michael left. After six months in emergency care at Mills Home in Thomasville, he established a more permanent residence at Broyhill Home. Slowly, quietly, his emotions mounted within him until one night he erupted and spilled forth his story, the years of secrets and lies, to his child care worker, Betty Porter. "She stayed up with me and we talked a long time," Michael said. That was his first lesson in trust and unconditional love.

"Broyhill has changed my life so much," Michael said. "For almost a year I didn't trust anybody, but finally I felt a calmness I know was the Lord. Here I found the Lord and now I try to live every day for Him."

Michael's story is repeated hundreds of times each year at Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Not all are as dramatic as a boy who grew from a punching bag to a torch bearer.

But at four residential campuses, six emergency care cottages, two homes for behaviorally troubled girls, a maternity home, a home for teenage mothers and their babies, therapeutic camping and model day care, more than 1,400 children and their families find help in a troubled time.

During the past year BCH received almost $1.5 million through the Cooperative Program, and $663,000 through the Thanksgiving Offering. Total church gifts of almost $3 million comprised 26.2 percent of BCH operating revenue.

BCH is in the midst of a $10.1 "Light Their Way" Campaign to raise money for operations, capital needs and endowment. At the halfway point in June, more than $5.4 million had been committed to BCH through the campaign.

Videos of the children's presentation at the 1995 State Baptist Convention are available by calling the communications office at (800)476-3669. You can also ask for the latest videos to tell you about your ministry to children and families through Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

Although Michael carries many fond memories of Baptist Children's Homes with him as he heads for college this fall, his earliest amazements were the secure sleep he got when he laid his head down, and of receiving his first pair of Nikes so he didn't have to be embarrassed by his appearance.

From head to toe Baptist Children's Homes cares for children and families. Thank you for helping to "Light Their Way."

Respectfully submitted,
Michael C. Blackwell, President

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The headlines each day – Bosnia, Belfast, Saudi Arabia, taxes, school funding, presidential elections, etc. – often include Southern Baptists. The secular media show special interest in our conflicts but all too often do not tell the whole story of the good things Baptists are doing.

The Biblical Recorder attempts to tell the whole story – the many positive things people are doing in their churches along with the negative issues which cannot be concealed and ignored if we honor our heritage from yesterday and fulfill our mission of tomorrow.

There is no way to address these issues without correct and reliable information. The Biblical Recorder was born and continues to serve for that purpose. In the 163 years of state Baptist papers in North Carolina, never was the Recorder more needed than now for people to have the truth. We live in an electronic media age where many think they have the answers to the issues but they do not because they do not read, only look and listen!

An informed Baptist is a better Baptist; and uniformed Baptist may be an uninvolved or disruptive Baptist. No democracy, including our local churches, can survive long without an informed, involved constituency which makes decisions based upon accurate information from reliable sources.

The Biblical Recorder should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina. Your support as a subscriber and reader, coupled with your encouragement to others, will enable the paper to better serve the constituency with accurate and helpful information.

In order to save churches large amounts of money and to increase the readership of the Recorder, Church News Service (CNS) was launched in 1990. This system lets any congregation have their church news incorporated into costs. Usually for less than what it costs to produce the church newsletter, CNS gives

the entire Baptist communication package to each family in the congregation. Recent and anticipated increases in mailing costs make CNS a greater value in 1996-97 than when it started in 1990.

The paper focuses more and more attention on North Carolina Baptists with news, features and inspirational articles which will encourage individuals and churches in their witness and ministry. One sure way to conquer problems and overcome the barriers to effective witness and ministry is to have the facts, know the issues and be adequately informed.

That is why the Recorder was born; that is why it serves today. For more information on how your church can subscribe or use CNS, contact: The Biblical Recorder, 232 West Millbrook Road, Raleigh, NC 27609.

Respectfully submitted,
R.G. Puckett, Editor

BAPTIST COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

Since 1834 North Carolina Baptist Colleges and Universities have been privileged to have many splendid presidents. The current presidents are listed as follows: Norman A. Wiggins - Campbell University; Stanley G. Lott - Chowan College; M. Christopher White - Gardner-Webb University; A. Max Lennon - Mars Hill College; John E. Weems - Meredith College; Jerry E. McGee - Wingate University; Thomas K. Hern, Jr. - Wake Forest University.

These men were elected to take the lead in dreaming, shaping and managing Baptist higher education in North Carolina.

Two colleges, Mars Hill and Chowan, have new presidents. Let us introduce them to you.

Dr. A. Max Lennon was named president of Mars Hill College, effective March 1. Both he and Mrs. Lennon (Ruth Ann) are graduates of Mars Hill. Dr. Lennon brings a rich background in business and higher education to his new task. After earning the B.S. and Ph.D degrees at North Carolina State University, he served in the administration of Texas Tech University, the University of Missouri, Ohio State University and Clemson University, where he was the president. He comes to Mars Hill from the presidency of Eastern Foods, Inc., in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Lennon, an active Baptist churchman, has been a member of the National Fellowship of Baptist Men. In Atlanta they were members of the First Baptist Church in Peachtree City, where he taught Sunday School and was a member of the strategic planning committee. He is on the board of directors of numerous corporations and foundations, among them First Union Corporation and Duke Power. In accepting the presidency of Mars Hill he said, "This is a wonderful opportunity to provide leadership for this college and boldly proclaim our faith in Jesus Christ."

Dr. Stanley G. Lott moved to North Carolina in July to become president of Chowan College. He comes from Louisiana College, a Baptist school, where he was vice-president for academic affairs for 15 years. Earlier he has been a faculty member at Tift College in Georgia. Dr. Lott earned two doctorates, one in

systematic theology from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and the other in higher education administration from the University of Georgia. An ordained Baptist minister, he has held two pastorates in Louisiana. Mercer University president Kirby Godsey, said, "Stanley Lott is one of the finest educators and leaders in higher education today." Dr. and Mrs. Lott (Johnnye) were long-time, active members of Emmanuel Baptist Church, near Louisiana College. Upon his election the new president said, "I look forward to joining hands with all who are part of Chowan College. I am so eager to join North Carolina Baptists in their efforts to spread the gospel and to preserve historic Baptist principles."

During the college years most students decide upon a vocation, choose a husband or wife, and settle more definitely upon the guiding values for a lifetime. Where a student is when such choices are made can make all the difference.

A Baptist college is an ideal setting for Baptist students. They can choose from a large number of study programs, confident that they can think and learn in an atmosphere of Christian sensitivity.

A Baptist college is large enough to offer an excellent education, and small enough so that one does not get lost in the crowd. Your Baptist colleges are person-centered communities where students can study and live in an environment of Christian trust and loving concern.

One should not expect, however, that even on a Baptist campus there will be no temptation to sin. The value of a Baptist college is in the persons and programs which encourage Christian motives and growth.

WMU

The associational WMU executive officers met in September, 1995, to plan the three projects that were completed during the 1995-96 year.

1) Baptist Women's Day of Prayer

Carrying out the theme, "Celebrate Hope in Christ," the Day of Prayer was hosted by Bakersville Baptist Church on November 6, 1995. Everyone joined in small group prayer time as we prayed for the needs of women on every continent. The bringing of an offering and personal prayer requests to the altar closed the program. Fifty people from ten churches participated. The offering was $122 and 40 prayer requests were received. In the following weeks, the officers prayed for each request.

2) Project Help:AIDS and WMU Focus Week (February 11-18)

A list of articles to be used by our local AIDS group, Mayland AIDS Awareness Group, (MAAG), was sent to each WMU to be collected during February. Two dollars per item was also suggested, with half remaining locally and half sent to WMU Vision Fund. A foreign country would receive the Vision Fund for an AIDS project. Nine churches participated, by bringing 273 items and $304.00.

Lori Thorton, Western North Carolina AIDS Educator for women and minorities, presented an informative program on AIDS, March 26, at Berry Chapel Baptist Church. (Postponed from February 6, due to weather.) With

much false information concerning AIDS being circulated, it was disappointing to have so few in attendance. AIDS education materials and a video are available for use from our associational office.

3) Leadership Training

Replacing our Annual Meeting was a much needed Leadership Training Session held April 15 at Berry Chapel Baptist Church. Helen Allen, state leader, planned the conference for Mitchell and Avery associations. Leaders were available for all age levels. Twenty three leaders from Mitchell attended but again so few took advantage of an excellent conference.

This past year we have operated with a minimum of officers. These same dedicated people were chosen to remain in office for 1996-97. In addition, we are very pleased to have Marsha Thompson as Director of GAs. Miss Thompson and WMU Director, Jean Warren, attended the Associational WMU Training Session in Fruitland, July 19-20.

We are in desperate need of a 1996-97 Nominating Committee, Acteens Director, and Mission Friends Director. Please pray for those who will serve. Important!

Each WMU Director is urged to send your yearly report to the association office. In addition, a list of your officers for 1996-97 is absolutely essential if you are to receive information from the state and association office. Do not forget these! Please use your Mosaic, Dimensions, and '96-97 Yearbook. All WMU associational officers are available to help you at any time in any way we can.

Have a great year, "Hand in Hand with Christ."

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Warren

WORLD HUNGER

"*Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted,*" Psalm 107:5. The original context of this Psalm is probably a worship service of thanksgiving. It is a time to remember the blessings of God, not the least of which is His provision of the necessities of life such as food and drink. In the average American home such gratitude should be easy, but for almost a billion people in the world, hunger is their daily companion. Many parents watch their young die of malnutrition if not starvation.

The lessons of Psalm 107 are critical for both the "haves" and "have nots" of our world. It is obvious the "haves" in the world are no more deserving than the "have nots." In the psalm, hunger pain is not attached to faithfulness or its lack, for the hungry in the psalm are God's redeemed. It heightens our desire to help those in trouble when we understand that we could have been born into less favorable circumstances of life.

The psalmist is here writing about men, women and children in very difficult circumstances. They are near death from starvation, with no solutions in sight. Our thoughts wander to the pictures we see coming out of Somalia, Rwanda and other countries where starvation is rampant, or to circumstances we might have

observed personally even in our own country. We do not have to look far to see the tragedy of hunger.

Finally, the psalmist makes it perfectly clear that God cares deeply about the plight of these sufferers. I feel the love of God on a personal level as I reflect upon His blessings upon my family and me. Personal blessings make me accountable for others. God chose Israel to be blessed, and also to be the carrier of blessing to other nations and individuals. He designed that their blessing be translated into ministry, drawing the pagan nations to Himself.

As we view the suffering of the world, our own blessings lose their flavor unless they are used to meeting the basic needs of others. We are blessed to bless. When Jesus saw the multitudes, "He was moved with compassion." His compassion was then translated into action as He went about meeting their needs. We might well object, "But I am just one person, and the needs of the world are so great." I think I hear a voice from heaven saying, "Your help, when joined with that of others, can become like the boy's loaves and fish. Little is much when God is in it."

We have the method. SBC Foreign and Home Mission Boards stand head and shoulders above most hunger relief programs in getting our gifts for hunger to the most needy places. The method calls for our resources. The genius of Southern Baptist's method of hunger giving is that a dollar in is a dollar out. No other hunger relief ministry can rejoice in that kind of plan. God wants to bless our gifts. Let us encourage our churches to make world hunger a priority this year. Please observe World Hunger Day, October 13, 1996.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Land, Charles Page
Christian Life Commission

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES

The continuing goal of Baptist Retirement Homes is to provide more and better services for Older Adults. During 1996 several developments have moved us toward this goal.

Some new staff members have been added to help provide the kind of total care which residents need and deserve. Tanja Keay has been employed as Vice President of the Health Services Division. Paulette Richmond came as the new manager of the Hamilton Baptist Home. Carla Hyde was named director of the small group program for residents with dementia, a program designed to enhance their quality of life. Patricia Fling is the director of the In Home Care program which began a few months ago. Dr. Earl Watts, an Associate Professor at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, is serving as the medical director for In Home Care.

Early in the year, renovation of the Hamilton Baptist Home was completed providing a more attractive and comfortable place for residents in that facility. The new Cecil and Gertrue Young Solarium at the Rickman Nursing Center in Asheville will provide space for the small group program for residents with

dementia. At Brookridge, renovated space in the Assisted Living section, and named "Stokes Court," will house the new Assisted Independent Living Unit. A new passenger van will facilitate transportation for residents at the Taylor House in Albemarle as they attend church, keep appointments, go shopping, or participate in social/recreational events.

During the year, Baptist Retirement Homes has provided assistance in the planning for Cliffwood, a new continuing care retirement community being built in Fayetteville. Two Fayetteville churches, First Baptist and Snyder Memorial Baptist, have formed a non-profit corporation to lead this project. A 27 acre site has been selected. Plans call for 105 Independent Living units, 20 beds in Assisted Living, and 20 beds in a nursing care unit. All units will be available on a rental basis with no entrance fees.

The James M. Hayes Society has been formed to recognize and thank those persons who remember the Baptist Retirement Homes in their estate planning. Thirty-three charter members constitute this group named in honor of the "Homes" founding superintendent.

Finally we recognize with deep gratitude those North Carolina Baptists who gave through their churches to support the ministry during the past year. Through the cooperative program, the special February Offering and other church gifts, the "Homes" received a total of $1,030,052 during the 12 month period ending September 30, 1995.

The trustees and staff are grateful to North Carolina Baptists for helping us to make life for Older Adults...**The Best of Times**!

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Stillerman, President

BAPTIST FOUNDATION

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased individual collective financial support. The Baptist Foundation is committed to assisting individual church members through creative stewardship methods to provide permanent financial undergirding of these ministries.

As of December 31, 1995, the Foundation held $55,608,452 under management. In 1995, $3,144.471 was distributed to Baptist work and $1,125,383 was distributed to individuals for a total distribution of $4,269,854.

The income distributions for the entire 76 year history of the N.C. Baptist Foundation totals: $9,673,682 income paid to individuals and $13,458,579 to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $23,132,261.

Respectfully submitted,
W. Jesse Spencer, Chairman of the Board
Edwin S. Coates, Executive Director

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Division of Pastoral Care

During this year the 18 to 40 Chaplains present at various times at the Hospital made over 55,000 pastoral contacts. As of July 1, 1996, the counseling centers will be called CareNet, Inc., of The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. Over 26,000 hours of counseling was provided through the eleven centers across the state of North Carolina. Two additional centers will open in the fall of this year.

The Center for Congregational Health has, since inception in 1992, provided ministry at some level to over 225 North Carolina Baptist Churches.

Mission dollars from the Cooperative Program enabled the above ministries to be carried out and to touch thousands of lives.

Baptist Benevolent Care Fund

North Carolina Baptists joined us in a mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. We channeled every penny of the MDO, which amounted to $461,647, to help patients who had no health-care insurance and no financial means to pay their hospital bills. We are grateful to everyone who made this ministry possible.

Points of Emphasis and Progress

– Financial Stewardship - The Medical Center is constantly seeking ways to lighten the financial burden of those who are ill. The room rates were reduced by $50 per day.

– Aegis - This is an alliance of primary-care clinicians that serve patients regardless of their medical plans or HMO/PPO affectation. "Aegis" means protection or sponsorship: Aegis Family Health Centers is a network of primary care physicians affiliated with the Medical Center. It now has 33 providers in 10 practice sites.

– QualChoice of North Carolina - QualChoice is the Medical Center's managed care company. Eighteen months old, it serves approximately 30,000 enrollees, giving quality health-care and patient physician choice.

– Regional Integrated Information Network - RIDS is a regional computer network now in the pilot phases. The network allows providers in the region to exchange patient information electronically, saving time and money. RIDS is a plan which assists communities in our service area to develop a coordinated continuum of care. In this plan, primary care physicians, community hospitals, nursing homes and other patient care providers link their services with those of The Medical Center. The desired outcome is improved patient care and cost-effective services.

– The J. Paul Sticht Center on Aging - The Center devotes itself to the special problems of older adults. When the center moves to its new home in 1996, its services will not only provide specialized health care, but will also include a day care program for the elderly that will serve as a link between hospital and home, helping to reduce rates of rehospitalization and premature placement in nursing homes.

A Closing Word

Since its foundation in 1922 the Hospital has taken pride in our ministry of service. In doing so, we seek to make tomorrow's patient care and tomorrow's workplace constantly better. That has been our mission historically, and it continues to this day. I firmly believe that our best lies yet ahead, and I am committed to that reality.

Respectfully submitted,
Len B. Preslar, Jr., President

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

There is an old saying, "For lack of a nail, a shoe was lost. For lack of a shoe, a horse was lost. For lack of a horse a rider was lost. For lack of a rider, a message was lost. For lack of a message, a battle was lost. For lack of a battle, a kingdom was lost." A nail seems so trivial and small, yet in this case it was all important.

Sometimes church members may get the idea that with nearly 37,000 Southern Baptist churches, the amount given by their own church through the Cooperative Program is not really important. It may even seem small. Of course, nothing could be further from the truth. It takes all of our churches to accomplish the tremendous mission which our Lord has placed in our hands. His command to go into all the world and preach the gospel is directed to each person and every church. It is possible for your church to extend itself throughout the United States and into more than 129 countries by giving through the Cooperative Program.

A church that gives on a percentage basis through the Cooperative Program encourages by example good stewardship among its members. It is really saying that we believe what the Bible teaches about stewardship. Many churches have demonstrated that their own giving practices result in generous giving by members. Faithfulness by churches in giving a percentage through the Cooperative Program also gives church members a sense of missionary fulfillment. Through the Cooperative Program a Southern Baptist can remain in his home town or community and extend his witness to the "uttermost" part of the world.

Giving faithfully through the Cooperative Program makes a church member proud of his church. Most people want their church to be involved in missions. When this is accomplished, they know that because of their giving, "a kingdom was not lost."

STATE MISSIONS

The North Carolina Missions Offering offers help and hope to more than 3 million unchurched in our state – and much more. It helps to provide clothing

for the naked, friendship for the imprisioned, shelter for the homeless and spiritual and physical food for the hungry in our state. It provides witness and missions ministry training to church members for all ages and it undergirds new church starts across our state. And it helps to support a myriad of ministries done through local Baptist associations.

But it also provides a witness around the world as internationals touched here share the gospel as they return home, as disaster victims pull their lives back together, as it supports our North Carolina-born foreign missionaries in very special ways and as it helps to send North Carolina Baptists to other states and to the uttermost parts of the world to share Christ.

Your North Carolina WMU and Baptist Men receive their entire budgets from this offering. In addition, much of the ministry budget for the Missions Division of the Baptist State Convention also comes from this offering. Almost 10 percent of the North Carolina Missions Offering goes back to the local association to support ministries in your community. The Mitchell Association received approximately 10 percent of the 1995 special offering collected in the association. Last year (1995), $1,149.82 of the $11,498.13 collected from 10 of the association's 35 churches was sent back to the association.

In addition to the money sent directly to the association, other offering moneys were used in 1995 to finance mission projects in the association. In 1995, the North Carolina Missions Offering also supported NC Woman's Missionary Union, NC Baptist Men (Brotherhood), and Youth and Campus Ministries. The number of individuals in the Mitchell Association who participated in these groups in 1995 includes:

14 Persons to World Missions Week
5 Persons attending NC WMU Annual Session
(Missions Extravaganza)
13 Persons to NC WMU Regional Training

Churches giving to the 1995 special offering: Altapass, Bakersville, Bear Creek, Berry Chapel, Central, Grassy Creek, Lily Branch, McKinney Cove, Pine Branch, and Spruce Pine First.

That's partnership at its best. Last year, we were up by nine percent but still missed the goal. Please lead your churches in promoting the North Carolina mission field the way it does the foreign and home mission fields.

A special feature to help with the Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions is a prayer line installed at the Baptist building in Cary. Call that number, 800-395-5102, ext. 800. From a touch-tone phone, the line may be accessed 24-hours-a-day. The prayer requests will be updated weekly unless an urgent need arises.

Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions

September 8-15, 1996

Goal: $2.02 million

ANNUITY BOARD

Retirement-planning experts estimate that most people will need at least 75 percent of their pre-retirement income to maintain a comparable retirement life-style. The more you earn, the lower the percentage of income replaced by the Social Security benefit. Social Security is intended to supplement personal retirement income.

Is your personal retirement-planning strategy adequate to help you achieve the recommended retirement income goal?

Your Annuity Board retirement plan – with features such as tax-deferral, possible matching contributions, competitive investments and new products and services – is a great way to provide the bulk of your retirement income.

Check your latest Member Benefit Statement to determine whether your current contributions will build enough to give you an adequate income. If not, perhaps Social Security will close the gap. To get an estimate of your future Social Security retirement benefit, call the Social Security Administration – 1-800-772-1213 – and request a benefit estimate.

If the combination of your personal retirement plan benefit and your estimated Social Security benefit doesn't seem adequate, consider increasing your retirement plan contributions. (IRS limits may apply.)

Contact your employer or the Annuity Board about upgrading your contributions.

The Annuity Board plans to introduce a new investment structure effective January 1, 1997, that will include 13 new fund investment options. To help you select an investment strategy that's appropriate for you, the Annuity Board will offer the LifePoints investment education program. LifePoints will help you select an investment strategy that you feel is right for you. The program's ultimate objective is to help you act on what you learn. The LifePoints investment education program is for everyone who participates in an Annuity Board retirement plan. It is based on three profiles – Beginnings, the Midway and Transitions. These "life points" represent stages of retirement planning. Once you've made your choice, you'll fill out a Participant Investment Election form authorizing the Annuity Board to reallocate your accumulations and future contributions into the fund or funds you've chosen.

In the fall of 1995, the Annuity Board began offering the Voice Information Processing (VIP) Service. Through the toll-free number – 1-800-262-0511 – you have automated 24-hour access to such information as retirement plan investment descriptions and performances, your retirement plan account balance, the current annuity funding rate and insurance plan descriptions. Other services will be added soon.

BIBLE DRILLS

Our associational Bible Drills are a highlight of our associational year. Nothing can take the place of learning God's Word. We are very proud of each

participant in Children's Bible Drill and in Youth Bible Drill. We had approximately 78 children and youth who participated at the associational level this year. These children and youth are to be commended for their hard work. If your church doesn't participate in this event we encourage you to take part next year.

We would like to give a heartfelt "thanks" to each leader and parent who supported these participants and sacrificed their time to help.

The following children participated in the 1996 Associational Children's Bible Drill. An asterisk (*) indicates a three-year winner.

Bear Creek: Kyle Duncan, Patrick Willis

Berry Chapel: Jordan Burleson, Logan Burleson, *Trisha Franklin, Ashley Gentry, Leanna Huffman, Galen Payne, Sarah Stafford, *Ashley Winters, Bryson Young

Chestnut Grove: *Karen Carpenter, Cassie Cooke

First Baptist: Daniel Buchanan, Jameson Harding, Jeffery Harding, *Adrienne Phillips, Aaron Snyder, Geoff Thayer, Chase Thomas

Freedom: Danielle Dayton, Ashley Parsons, Natalie Hollifield, Lori Smith, Robert Woody, Aaron Smith, Holly Stewart

Ledger: Zack Ferguson, Cindy West

Liberty Hill: Casey Weeks

Mount Carmel: Brett Carpenter, Natalie Morningstar, Kyle Slagle

Pine Branch: Danielle Moore, Candace Phillips, Jennifer Riddle, Mitchell Pittman, *John Mark Sullins, *Jason Buchanan, *Dustin Frye, *Deidre Burleson, *Tim Cook

Roan Mountain: Darren Gardner, Rebecca Gardner, Kegan Silver, Susanna Sides, *Amy Ronshausen, Selena Lusk

Silver Chapel: Ashley Buchanan

Snow Hill: Sydney Hughes, Megan Grindstaff, Larry Seth Cox, Holly Silvers, Christi Howell, Julia Wynkoop

The following youth participated in the 1996 Associational Youth Bible Drill. An asterisk (*) indicates a three-year winner, and a double asterisk (**) indicates a six year winner.

Bear Creek: **Matt Hoyle, **Amanda Burleson, Casey Hollifield, Sarah Ford, Carrie Duncan

Berry Chapel: **Aleasha Winters, **Nathan Silver, Justin Hollifield, Shannon Jones

Chestnut Grove: Lacy Cuthbertson

Freedom: Dana Troutman, Andy Bailey

Liberty Hill: **Brandy Hoyle, Tiffany Hoyle, Ashley Queen

Pine Branch: Allison Hise, **Greg Franklin, *Sara McKinney,

Roan Mountain: Kristen Silver, Wes Sides

Silver Chapel: Julie Buchanan

Snow Hill: Harlos Silvers, Ashley Honeycutt, Shanna Hoilman

A special "congratulations" to our six-year participants. This is an outstanding accomplishment.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenda Buchanan

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

Our Lord has faithfully guided the Foreign Mission Board's efforts through 1995. A thumbnail sketch of these blessings includes:

- A record number of newly constituted churches: 2,612
- Percentage increase of newly constituted churches: 21%
- Record number of total churches overseas: 39,073
- Total number of members among conventions and unions overseas: 4.11 million
- Total number of baptisms overseas: 287,806
- Member-to-baptism ratio overseas: 14-to-1
  (Member-to-baptism ratio in the United States: 40-to-1)
- Number of countries served by missionaries: 131
- Total number of new missionaries appointed: 544
- Total number of missionaries serving overseas: 4,129
- Record amount of Lottie Moon offering: $85.9 million
- Total dollars appropriated for human needs: $5.85 million
- New churches among least-reached peoples: 367
- Baptisms among least-reached peoples: 6,548
- Number of new cities opened to the gospel: 528
- Number of new people groups touched with the gospel: 141
- Number of culture groups in The Last Frontier: 2,161
- Increase in the total number of churches: 6.65%
- Number of Southern Baptists in short-term volunteer work: Over 15,000
- Record number of Bible schools and seminaries: 595 (a 136% increase)
- Increase in Bible teaching ministries overseas: 11%
- Increase in enrollment in discipleship programs overseas: 74%
- Increase in home missionaries coming from overseas affiliates: 44%
- Increase in foreign missionaries from overseas affiliates: 87%

There are 2,161 unreached people groups. In order to place a missionary unit with each unreached group by AD 2000, the board must increase its income by 27.89 percent each year.

The Foreign Mission Board responds to disaster and other human needs through designated gifts to world hunger. These gifts have declined from nearly $12 million in 1985 to almost $6 million in 1995, greatly restricting the ability of the FMB to respond to these needs.

The 1996 budget of the Foreign Mission Board, used to support almost 4,200 missionaries in 131 countries, is $192,615,000. For the board to have 5,000 missionaries, it will require a budget of $266,400,000. This represents less than 4 percent of the projected receipts of Southern Baptist Churches.

EVANGELISM

The Evangelism Committee worked diligently to promote an area-wide evangelistic crusade.

The Crusade was held August 5-9 at Bear Creek Baptist Church. The guest evangelists were: Rev. Eugene Ridley, Rev. Thad Dowdle, and Rev. Greg Mathis.

A spirit of revival prevailed during the week of services. It was a great spiritual experience for the area.

Consideration will be given for making this an annual Bible conference. Members of the Evangelism Committee were Tom Watson - Chairman, Mark McKinney, Russell McKinney, Lee Ayers and Joe Biddix.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Watson

SOUTH AFRICA PARTNERSHIP

The South Africa partnership is well under way. The first building project is under way in East London and several teams have made trips to work on this project. Our pressing need now is to raise monies to purchase a large tent and gas generator to be used for crusades out in the villages where there is no electricity or meeting places. The estimated amount is eight thousand dollars. This amount would come from the churches in Mitchell, Avery and Yancey Associations. We have jointly been assigned BUBA (Border United Baptist Association). The population of the Eastern Cape is 6,436,790. There are 98 churches with a membership of 13,850. Please pray and support the urgent needs mentioned above and be willing to go and experience missions first-hand.

Respectfully submitted,
R. Kenneth Gaskin
Missions Committee Director

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Bible has given us specific guidelines as to how we are to react to our fellow man. These guidelines say that we are to reach, teach, disciple, minister and serve. Sunday School is a good place to start.

People today are searching for meaning in their lives. They are hungry for spiritual truths. This should open the door for us to present the Good News of Jesus Christ to them. This is the only thing that will satisfy the hunger that they feel.

We, in Mitchell County, have a responsibility to fulfill the Great Commission. Sadly, we are neglecting the very first instruction in this Commission – to teach. The Sunday School statistics for the churches for the past year do not look good. Fifty percent of the churches of this association experienced a decrease in the number of people attending Sunday School last year. This means that fewer people are being taught the Word of God in our churches and fewer people will come to know the Lord as personal Savior. Perhaps this explains why, with

twenty-seven of our churches reporting at the time of writing this, that baptisms are down also in our association.

What can we do? First, make sure that qualified and committed teachers are chosen for the important task of teaching God's Word in Sunday School. Second, promote and encourage their attendance at every Sunday School training event. The next one will be our Fall Festival of Sunday School, September 16, 7:00-9:00 P.M. at Mount Carmel Baptist Church. Third, you should pray. Every successful Sunday School is first given to the Lord. He then will give it back to us. Let's do better in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard McKinney

HOME MISSIONS

Last year, Southern Baptists placed 82,000 calls to the Home Missions Intercessory Prayerline to list prayer requests and to pray for home missions.

In addition, 70,391 volunteers served on the home mission field. This represents more than $100 million in value to home missions.

And Southern Baptists gave $38,908,339 through the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. This is a 4.7 percent increase over 1994 and is the largest amount ever given through this offering. Thank you, Southern Baptists, for your continued faith and support of missions in our homeland.

Our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering goal for this year was $42 million, every penny of which, as always, will go to the field for use by your home missionaries. We believe that Southern Baptists who know about missions work will participate in it through prayer, volunteer work and through financial support.

The Ministry Section has started a "Touch a Life" emphasis. It is about sharing Jesus' love at a point of need. It is a theme we hope will capture the thoughts, hearts and imaginations of Southern Baptists: a reminder of our responsibility to care for our neighbors, an expression of concern for others, an emphasis on the individual. To "Touch a Life" is not a program or a project; it is a way the Ministry Section wants to intentionally impact the Southern Baptist Convention with ministry.

The Ministry Section shares Jesus' love at points of need in diverse settings and in many ways.

- Chaplains go places where other Southern Baptists cannot go, such as military settings, prisons and mental health facilities.
- Alternatives to Abortion Ministries establishes crisis pregnancy centers that offer hope to women.
- Church and Community Ministries feeds people who are hungry, offers afterschool ministries to inner-city youth and teaches people how to read so they can follow directions, complete job applications and read the Bible.
- Special Ministries shares Christ on ski slopes, at race tracks, at truck stops, on the beach and with international students on college campuses and diplomats at the United Nations.
- Mission Service Corps provides long-term volunteers for ministries that, due

to a lack of funding, would not otherwise exist.

- Volunteer Projects sends volunteers to rebuild or repair homes lost or damaged in floods or earthquakes.
- Student Missions sends students to share God's love with children in Backyard Bible Clubs and in inner-city mission centers.

If Southern Baptists are to start 50,000 new churches, take the Gospel to every person and see their churches growing and involved in ministry by the year 2000, lives must be touched in the name of Jesus.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

"We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers; remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father."

The Hispanic Wilderness Mission continues to meet every Sunday morning at 11:00 A.M. at the Baptist Tabernacle on Ridge Road. The purpose of this mission is to reach out to the Spanish speaking families in the Mayland area. There are many families that cannot speak English and have no transportation anywhere. Many of the men car-pool to work, and because of this lack of transportation you may see 10-20 men in a van or in a pick-up truck. The women and the children can only go out of the home when someone is able to pick them up on the weekends, even though we are beginning to see a lot more of the Hispanic children in our schools.

Due to this transportation situation, we are praying for some of the churches to make this a mission of their own church. We will print out flyers with the place and the time where the church van or bus can pick them up to bring them to the Tabernacle on Sundays.

If your church is willing to take this on as a mission, please let us know. Even if you are not able to use the church van on Sunday mornings, let us know if Sunday afternoon services might be better for you in order to be a part of this mission. Many of the Hispanic families live close to each other in a trailer park or at the place of work, therefore there will probably be just one or two places to pick them up.

Please continue to pray that the Lord of the harvest would send labourers into this harvest, for truly the harvest is great but the labourers are few.

"But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. And of some have compassion, making a difference. And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh. Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever, Amen."

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Alonso

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

Jesus said, "*How can two walk together except they be agreed.*" This verse takes on a whole new meaning as I think of Mitchell Baptist Association. Never have I seen an association as closely knit in the love of Christ or as committed to reaching the lost for Christ.

The past year has been good. We have had a number of scheduled associational events and ministry opportunities. These include the Fall Festival of Sunday School, Christmas Singspiration, Baptist Children's Home Project, West Virginia Mission Project, South Africa Mission Project, the Hispanic Ministry, Evangelistic Crusade, VBS Clinic, WMU Workshop and many others. In the weeks to come you will be hearing about other ministry and training opportunities. We will be sponsoring a Sunday School age-group conference on September 16 and a Senior Adult Rally on October 14. We are also planning another "pounding" for the Grant Park Baptist Mission in Atlanta, Georgia. Please watch the newsletter for information about these and other ministry opportunities.

We in Mitchell Baptist Association have been given a unique opportunity to impact our nation for the cause of Christ. We have people coming from all over the United States to visit our county. We also have one of the highest number of summer residents in the state. What an opportunity for witness! Next summer we will be having a Summer Student Missionary to co-ordinate ministry in this area. This person will also help in the areas of crafts fair and campground ministry, mission VBS and will help organize a ministry at the Mineral and Gem Festival.

The future looks great for our association. We must never forget to praise the Lord for what He has done and continues to do. May God richly bless each one of you as you minister where you are.

Submitted in His name,
Daniel Whetstine,

HAVE A HEART

A missionary heart, that is!
We all have hearts.
Warm hearts, broken hearts, joyful hearts.
The Baptist association has a heart, too.
A missionary heart.

Missions is the heart of the association.
Try making it your heart, too.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ALTAPASS: Mr. Clyde McKinney, Mrs. Verna Murphy, Mr. Glenn Stafford, Mr. D.D. Wolf
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FORK MOUNTAIN: James (Tommy) Thomas, Rt. 2, Box 571, Spruce Pine
FREEDOM: David Troutman, Rt. 3, Box 423, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Sibbald Lambert, Rt. 1, Box 742, Spruce Pine
LEDGER: David Wiseman, 189 Church Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL:
LILY BRANCH: Steve Williams, Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Erby McKinney, Rt. 4, Box 245, Elizabethton, TN
McKINNEY COVE: Russell McKinney, 175 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville
MINE CREEK: David Johnson, Rt. 3, Box 12, Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Michael Brown, Rt. 2, Box 606, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Richard Grindeland, Rt. 2, Box 467, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH: Kenneth Gaskin, 115 Pine Branch Rd., Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Tom Watson, 483 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
SILVER CHAPEL: Jay Orr, P.O. Box 475, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Gerold Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Box 78, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK: Robert McCurry, Rt. 2, Box 295, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Robert Ballance, 101 Tappan St., Spruce Pine
TOECANE: Jack Callahan, Rt. 1, Box 356-D, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: James (Buster) Yelton, 108 Stafford Rd., Spruce Pine
(* Interim Pastor)

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS

ALTAPASS: Greg McKinney, P.O. Box 344, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Coy Hollifield, Rt. 3, Box 143, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK: Fred Harrison, 171 Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Rocky Buchanan, 409 Balsam Ave., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: Jerry Hughes, Nebo
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Joe Howell, Rt. 1, Box 375, Spruce Pine
CALVARY: Jack Staton, P.O. Box 187, Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Jeff Buchanan, P.O. Box 724, Bakersville
CENTRAL: Morris Stamey, 303 Valley Rd., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Howard Burnette, Rt. 1, Box 1096, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Tim Blevins, Rt. 2, Box 390, Burnsville
FORK MOUNTAIN: Paul Burleson, Rt. 1, Box 28, Bakersville
FREEDOM: Stacy Thomas, Rt. 2, Box 570, Spruce Pine

GRASSY CREEK: Scott McKinney, 117 Ivey Drive, Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Reed Burleson, 125 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Mack Ramsey, Rt. 2, Box 1125, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Box, 137-A, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Merrell Harrell, Route 1, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Allen Baker, P.O. Box 219, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Ricky Phillips, 108 Mine Creek Rd., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Wayne Ward, 19 Dale St., Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Gary Harrell, Rt. 1, Box 168A, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH: Dempsey Sullins, 725 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Chris Renfro, P.O. Box 143, Spruce Pine
SILVER CHAPEL: Jim Hughes, Rt. 3, Box 85, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: J.D. Hughes, 213 Slagle Rd., Bakersville
SPRING CREEK: Alvin Dean Ollis, Rt. 2, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Lonnie Speight, 210 Swiss Pine Lake, Spruce Pine
TOECANE: Gwynn Callahan, P.O. Box 180, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: Bobby Webb, 235 English Rd., Spruce Pine

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ALTAPASS: Augusta Gross, Rt. 3, Box 220, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Bobby Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 288-A, Bakersville
BERRY CHAPEL: Dale Hall, P.O. Box 68, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Alvin Carpenter, P.O. Box 218, Little Switzerland
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Richard McKinney, 103 Duncan St., Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Geraldine Ellis, 130 School Rd., Bakersville
LILY BRANCH: Carl Murdock, Rt. 4, Box 225, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Richie Harrell, 264 Saylor Lake Rd. N, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Albert Forbes, P.O. Box 141, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH: Wayne Ellis, Rt. 2, Box 924, Spruce Pine
SNOW HILL: Milt Grindstaff, 117 NC Hwy 226 S., Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: David Thayer, P.O. Box 396, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK: Marcella Bailey, 349 White Oak Rd., Bakersville

MUSIC DIRECTORS

ALTAPASS: Chris Henley, Rt. 3, Box 275, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Durl Pittman, Rt. 3, Box 287, Bakersville
BERRY CHAPEL: Bill Calloway, 121 Minpro Rd., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: Deborah Pittman, Route 2, Spruce Pine
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Carolyn Glenn, P.O. Box 204, Little Switzerland
CALVARY: Kenneth Murphy, P.O. Box 1031, Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Charles Edwards, P.O. Box 191, Bakersville
CENTRAL: Brenda Sparks, Rt. 1, Box 159, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Lonnie Cuthbertson, Rt. 1, Box 784, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Charles Allen, Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine

FORK MOUNTAIN: Mary Thomas, Rt. 2, Box 571, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Thomas C. Currie, Jr., P.O. Box 152, Weaverville
LEDGER: Margaret Wilson, 209 Wing Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Alice Glenn, 606 Highland Ave., Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Liona Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 122-A, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 91-C, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Kay Baker, P.O. Box 219, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Renee Johnson, 141 Mine Creek Rd., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Ava Hollifield, 108 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Oscar Horrell, Rt. 5, Box 353A, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Ted Willis, 188 Wing Rd., Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: David Thayer, P.O. Box 396, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK: Jessie McKinney, P.O. Box 722, Bakersville

WMU DIRECTORS

ALTAPASS: Iris Burleson, P.O. Box 460, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Nora Nell Jarrett, 125 Hwy 226 S., Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK: Nina Buchanan, 443 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Pat Silver, P.O. Box 374, Spruce Pine
CENTRAL: Diane Bolles, 202 Wildflower Rd., Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Sharon Renfro, Rt. 1, Box 264-D, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Mary G. Ballew, 210 Oak Ave., Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Maude Greene, 174 NC 226 S., Bakersville
LILY BRANCH: Rella Ann Dale, Rt. 3, Box 333, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Marlene Ayers, Rt. 4, Box 431, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Judy Roberts, Rt. 3, Box 14, Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Ava Hollifield, 108 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine
PINE BRANCH: Jewell Gaskin, 115 Pine Branch Rd., Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Mary Young, 481 Young Cove Rd., Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Eunice Riddle, 152 Phillips Lane, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK: Marcella Bailey, 349 White Oak Rd., Bakersville

BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS

ALTAPASS: Chuck Pendley, 200 Feldspar, Apt. A-2, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Russell Burleson, 103 Old Hwy. 226, Bakersville
BERRY CHAPEL: Buddy Silver, P.O. Box 374, Spruce Pine
CENTRAL: Monroe Bridges, 110 Rockhouse Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Ted Sparks, Rt. 1, Box 365, Spruce Pine
FREEDOM: Robert Bailey, 155 Wyatte Rd., Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Windle Young, 171 Hwy 226 S., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Bill Slagle, 524 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
PINE BRANCH: Daryl Dellinger, 123 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine

ROAN MOUNTAIN: David Dale, P.O. Box 648, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Robert Stroup, Jr., 123 Stroup Rd., Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK: Bill Buchanan, P.O. Box 185, Bakersville

TREASURERS

ALTAPASS: Iris Burleson, P.O. Box 460, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Joe Ray Willis, 143 Possum Trot Rd., Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK: Betty Pendley, Rt. 1, Box 120, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Gregg Huffman, 626 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: Loretta Sue Willis, Rt. 2, Box 1058, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK: Eddie Gouge, 417 A.J. Willis Rd., Jonesborough, TN
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Reid Queen, P.O. Box 295, Little Switzerland
CALVARY: Janet Staton, 815 Cane Creek Rd., Left, Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Oakalene Vance, 637 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
CENTRAL: Marquitta Holtsclaw, 154 Apple Mountain Rd., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Eugene Self, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 538, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Barbara Allen, Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine
FORK MOUNTAIN: Natalie Greene, Rt. 1, Box 24, Bakersville
FREEDOM: Elizabeth McClellan, 120 Berry Hill Rd., Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Charlie McKinney, Rt. 1, Box 835, Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Paul Greene, 143 School Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Keith Hoyle, Rt. 2, Box 1016, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Jackie Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Kathy Harrell, Rt. 1, Box 56-9, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Arthur Baker, P.O. Box 107, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Suzanne Smith, P.O. Box 992, Spruce Pine
MOUNT CARMEL: Richard Haney, Rt. 3, Box 650, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Box 324A, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH: Dennis Buchanan, P.O. Box 891, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Louise McKinney, P.O. Box 52, Bakersville
SILVER CHAPEL: Helen McKinney, Rt. 3, Box 89, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Ted Willis, 188 Wing Rd., Bakersville
SPRING CREEK: Willard Moffitt, Rt. 2, Box 316, Bakersville
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TOECANE: Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Box 328, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: Jimmy McMahan, 357 White Oak Rd., Bakersville

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ALTAPASS: Sondra Stewart, 157 Lower Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Nora Nell Jarrett, 125 Hwy. 226 South, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK: Martha H. Pendley, 153 Cabin Rd., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Judy Greer, 136 Hill St., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: Loretta Sue Willis, Rt. 2, Box 1058, Spruce Pine

BIG ROCK CREEK: Eddie Gouge, 417 A.J. Willis Rd., Jonesboro, TN
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Reid Queen, P.O. Box 295, Little Switzerland
CALVARY: Travis Ward, 816 Cane Creek Rd. Left, Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Rhonda Robinson, 733 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
CENTRAL: Monroe Bridges, 110 Rockhouse Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Hilda Hollifield, P.O. Box 369, Little Switzerland
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Sherry Jones, Rt. 2, Box 1185, Spruce Pine
FORK MOUNTAIN: Natalie Greene, Rt. 1, Box 24, Bakersville
FREEDOM: Ola Mae Freeman, 250 Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Elizabeth McKinney, Rt. 1, Box 835, Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Deborah Ferguson, 188 Church Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Ruby Putman, Rt. 1, Box 280, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rosa Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 91-C, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Sylvia Peterson, 222 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
MINE CREEK: Janice Hensley, 101 Mine Creek Rd., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Susan Brown, Rt. 2, Box 606, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Box 324-A, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH: Dawn Hughes, 210 Laurel Creek Court, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Cynthia Burleson, 543 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
SILVER CHAPEL: Brenda Silver, Rt. 3, Box 89-B, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Wilma Wyncoop, 132 Swiss Pine Lake Dr., Spruce Pine
SPRING CREEK: June Bryant, Rt. 2, Box 95, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Eunice Riddle, 152 Phillips Lane, Spruce Pine
TOECANE: Sandra Putman, Rt. 4, Box 12, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: Ann Webb, 235 English Rd., Spruce Pine

CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS

ALTAPASS: Joe Biddix, Rt. 3, Box 250, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Kenny Miller, 133 NC 226 S., Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK: Phillip Henline, 127 Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Avery Carpenter, 134 Hill St., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: John Burleson, Rt. 3, Box 336A, Newland
BIG ROCK CREEK: Sam Garland, Rt. 1, Box 159, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Joe Howell, Rt. 1, Box 375, Spruce Pine
CALVARY: Jack Staton, P.O. Box 187, Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Bruce Stamey, 645 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
CENTRAL: John Wellborn, 210 Martha Drive, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Frank Hollifield, P.O. Box 369, Little Switzerland
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Charles Allen, Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine
FORK MOUNTAIN: Ivan Greene, P.O. Box 17, Bakersville
FREEDOM: Melvin Dellinger, 302 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Frank Fox, Rt. 3, Box 36, Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Windle Young, 171 Hwy 226 S., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Max Cabe, Rt. 1, Box 154, Spruce Pine

LILY BRANCH: Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Box 147-A, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 91-C, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Johnny Ayers, Rt. 4, Box 431, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Clarence Fleet Hensley, 101 Mine Creek Rd., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Avery Buchanan, 106 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine
PINE BRANCH: James Pittman, Rt. 1, Box 11, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Vance McKinney, P.O. Box 52, Bakersville
SILVER CHAPEL: Fred L. Howell, Rt. 3, Box 94, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Lewis Turbyfill, 155 Wing Rd., Bakersville
SPRING CREEK: Willard Moffitt, Rt. 2, Box 316, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Don Warren, 110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK: Jim McMahan, 357 White Oak Rd., Bakersville

PIANISTS

ALTAPASS: Monica Henley, Rt. 3, Box 275, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Pam Pittman, 127 School Rd., Spruce Pine
BEAVER CREEK: Geneva Wilson, 133 Phillips Lane, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Lenise Ramsey, Rt. 1, Box 799, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: Barbara Brummitt, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK: Angela Garland, Rt. 1, Box 167-B, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Terri Williams, P.O. Box 191, Little Switzerland
CALVARY: Lee Ella Cooke, 807 Cane Creek, Right, Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Sue Greene, 91 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
CENTRAL: Nancy McCall, 242 English Rd., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Judy Self, 3539 Brook St., Lenoir
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Kim Young, Rt. 2, Box 465, Burnsville
FORK MOUNTAIN: Carmella Thomas, Rt. 2, Box 571, Spruce Pine
FREEDOM: Shirley Smith, Rt. 3, Box 579, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Peggy Riddle, Rt. 1, Box 720, Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Debborah Ferguson, 188 Church Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Inez Hughes, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Stephanie Medford, Rt. 3, Box 327-A, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rosa Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 91-C, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Kay Baker, P.O. Box 219, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Dianna Gouge, Rt. 4, Box 245, Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Roma Sparks, Rt. 1, Box 14, Spruce Pine
MOUNTIAN VIEW: Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Box 324, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH: Dawn Hughes, 210 Laurel Creek Court, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Amelia McKinney, 271 Loggy Hollow, Bakersville
SILVER CHAPEL: Glenda Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 64-A, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Veida Ayers, 475 Young Cove Rd., Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Patty Ferguson, 237 English Rd., Spruce Pine
TOECANE: Mary Crowder, Rt. 1, Box 328, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: Susie Carpenter, 505 Rock House Creek Rd., Spruce Pine

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ALTAPASS: Sondra Stewart, 157 Lower Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Annette Duncan, 96 Hickory Hill Dr., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Evelyn English, Rt. 3, Box 490, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: Travis McKinney, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Mildred McKinney, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CENTRAL: Kaylene Keen, 518 Hillcrest Circle, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Wendy Allen, Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine
LIBERTY HILL: Irene Hoyle, Rt. 2, Box 1016, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Mary Lou Willis, Rt. 3, Box 150A, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Jeanne Rowe, P.O. Box 895, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Kelly Whitson, P.O. Box 114, Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Etta Lusk, Rt. 1, Box 10, Spruce Pine
PINE BRANCH: Julie Pittman, Rt. 1, Box 11, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Maxine Rathbone, 548 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Pat King, 195 Wing Rd., Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Phyllis Dale, 110 Oakdale Dr., Spruce Pine

ZIP CODES

Atlanta	30309
Bakersville	28705
Burnsville	28714
Cary	27512
Crossnore	28616
Dallas, TX	75201
Elizabethton, TN	37643
Fort Worth, TX	76116
Green Mountain	28740
Jonesborough, TN	37659
Jonas Ridge	28641
Linville	28646
Linville Falls	28647
Little Switzerland	28749
Marion	28752
Mars Hill	28754
Memphis, TN	38104
Micaville	28755
Nashville, TN	37234
Newland	28657
Penland	28765
Richmond, VA	23230
Spruce Pine	28777
Weaverville	28787

*HISTORICAL TABLE

DATE	PLACE	MODERATOR	CLERK	ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON
1969	Spring Creek/Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Hugh Borders/Wade Boone
1970	Altapass/Mt. Carmel	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Forrest C. Feezor/C.B. Dickenson
1971	Silver Chapel/Cane Creek	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel/Robert E. Seatz
1972	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland/N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mountain/Pine Branch	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig/Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill/Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele/John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis/R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Creek/S.P. First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton/Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel/Beaver Creek	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps/Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Branch/Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield/Lee Ayers
1979	Snow Hill/Roan Mountain	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan/Gerold Grindstaff
1980	S.P. First/Mine Creek	Maurice Gilliam	M.W. Blanton	Jim Gore/Earl Henry
1981	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Astor Buchanan/Jim Mizell
1982	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Howard Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Stuart White/Jack Callahan
1983	Liberty Hill/Berry Chapel	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Don Stafford/Ernest Howell
1984	Bear Creek/Pine Branch	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Frank Blevins/Jay Orr
1985	Crabtree Chapel/Altapass	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	Garland Higgins/Sam Brewer
1986	Mt. Carmel/S.P. First	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	James Lankford
1987	Bear Creek/Grassy Creek	Walter Ponder	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff
1988	Berry Chapel/Roan Mountain	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Walter Ponder
1989	Liberty Hill/Bakersville	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Sibbald Lambert
1990	Bear Creek/Altapass	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Dallas Renfro
1991	Mount Carmel/Crabtree Chapel	Larry Greene	Judy Greer	Astor Buchanan/Bob McCurry
1992	Liberty Hill/Cane Creek	Charles Murrell	Judy Greer	Steve Sisk/William Whitfield
1993	Freedom/Silver Chapel	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Martin Fisher/George Gouge
1994	Pine Branch/Snow Hill	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Erby McKinney/David Troutman
1995	Bear Creek/Altapass	Dallas Renfro	Judy Greer	George Gouge/Tom Watson
1996	Beaver Creek/Roan Mountain	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff/Russell McKinney

*Partial List - For complete list, consult 1995 Minutes.

MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

1-Year Organized
2-Year Pastor Came
3-Church Location Code
1-Open Country Medium City Large City
2-Village 5-Downtown 8-Downtown
3-Town 6-Neighborhood 9-Neighborhood
4-Small City 7-Suburbs 0-Suburbs
4-Racial/Ethnic Group (1-28)

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

Church	County	1	2	3	4	5	5a	5b	5c
ALTAPASS	Mitchell C	1925	1987	1	01	5	0	0	1
BEAR CREEK	Mitchell	1830	1988	1	01	0	0	0	0
BEAVER CREEK	Mitchell	1906	1994	1	01	1	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	Mitchell	1934	1991	3	01	9	0	2	3
BIG CRABTREE	Mitchell	1925	1988	1	01	2	0	1	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	Mitchell	1849	1983	1	01	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	Mitchell	1882		1	01	1	0	0	1
CALVARY	Mitchell	1949	1991	1	01	1	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	Mitchell	1869	1994	1	01	2	0	0	0
CENTRAL	Mitchell	1932		3	01	0	0	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	Mitchell	1923	1992	1	01	5	0	0	2
CRABTREE CHAPEL	Yancey	1965		1	01	0	0	0	0
FORK MOUNTAIN	Mitchell	1861	1991	1	01	2	0	0	1
FREEDOM	Mitchell	1988	1989	3	01	13	0	3	4
GRASSY CREEK	MITCHELL	1818	1987	5	01	7	0	3	3
LEDGER	Mitchell	1953	1996	1	01	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY HILL	Mitchell	1866		1	01	6	0	1	0
LILY BRANCH	Mitchell	1859	1995	1	01	3	0	0	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	Mitchell	1884	1989	1	01	5	0	0	1
MCKINNEY COVE	Mitchell	1888	1992	1	01	2	0	1	1
MINE CREEK	Mitchell	1849	1995	1	01	2	0	0	0
MOUNT CARMEL	Mitchell	1925	1994	1	01	12	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	Mitchell	1932	1986	1	01	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	Mitchell	1921	1995	3	01	6	0	1	1
ROAN MOUNTAIN	Mitchell	1813	1993	1	01	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	Mitchell	1885	1993	1	01	1	0	0	0
SNOW HILL	Mitchell	1915	1989	1	01	10	0	0	3
SPRING CREEK	Mitchell	1916	1975	1	01	2	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	Mitchell	1908	1993	3	01	3	0	0	3
TOECANE	Mitchell	1916	1978	1	01	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	Mitchell	1884	1991	1	01	2	0	0	0
TOTALS						102	0	12	24

For 1995-96 Associational Year

5-TOTAL BAPTISMS
- a-Baptisms Under 6
- b-Baptisms Age 6-8
- c-Baptisms Age 9-11
- d-Baptisms Age 12-17
- e-Baptisms Age 18-29
- f-Baptisms Age 30-59
- g-Baptisms Age 60 & Up

6-College Student Baptisms
7-Other Additions
8-Members Lost
9-Total Membership
- a-Resident Members
- b-Nonresident Members

10-New Member Training

5d	5e	5f	5g	6	7	8	9	9a	9b	10	
0	0	2	2	0	17	9	301	282	19	6	ALTAPASS
0	0	0	0	0	12	17	704	589	115	0	BEAR CREEK
1	0	0	0	0	2	3	258	175	83	0	BEAVER CREEK
1	3	0	0	1	12	15	510	435	75	0	BERRY CHAPEL
0	0	1	0	0	2	1	198	159	39	0	BIG CRABTREE
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	35	15	0	BIG ROCK CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	81	43	38	0	BLACK MOUNTAIN
1	0	0	0	0	0	6	134	131	3	0	CALVARY
0	0	2	0	0	8	8	77	75	2	0	CANE CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	8	280	220	60	0	CENTRAL
2	0	1	0	0	1	7	226	121	105	0	CHESTNUT GROVE
0	0	0	0	0	4	13	209	209	0	0	CRABTREE CHAPEL
0	1	0	0	1	3	4	150	84	66	0	FORK MOUNTAIN
5	1	0	0	0	11	4	235	235	0	15	FREEDOM
0	1	0	0	0	10	14	595	416	179	6	GRASSY CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	114	93	21	0	LEDGER
3	1	1	0	0	1	14	418	340	78	0	LIBERTY HILL
0	3	0	0	0	8	2	233	177	56	0	LILY BRANCH
0	0	4	0	0	0	1	64	63	1	0	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	8	125	104	21	0	MCKINNEY COVE
2	0	0	0	0	10	3	114	96	18	0	MINE CREEK
2	4	2	4	0	7	8	411	149	262	0	MOUNT CARMEL
0	0	0	0	0	2	0	56	28	28	0	MOUNTAIN VIEW
0	2	2	0	0	7	7	543	428	115	0	PINE BRANCH
0	0	0	0	0	1	16	245	179	66	0	ROAN MOUNTAIN
0	1	0	0	0	5	5	189	119	70	0	SILVER CHAPEL
0	4	3	0	0	5	13	211	208	3	0	SNOW HILL
0	2	0	0	0	2	4	156	143	13	0	SPRING CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	23	33	579	438	141	24	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
0	0	0	0	0	0	2	45	41	4	0	TOECANE
0	2	0	0	0	6	0	142	82	60	0	WHITE OAK
17	25	18	6	2	159	226	7653	5897	1756	51	

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

STATE
North Carolina

11-Total SS Enrollment
a-Preschool Birth
b-Children 6-11
c-Youth 12-17
d-Adults 18-24
e-Adults 25-34
f-Adults 35-54
g-Adults 55 & Up
h-Special Education

Church	11	11a	11b	11c	11d	11e	11f	11g	11h
ALTAPASS	141	21	31	8	28	12	22	19	0
BEAR CREEK	378	15	44	42	20	62	92	97	0
BEAVER CREEK	79	10	10	6	7	5	22	16	0
BERRY CHAPEL	284	30	40	40	18	16	49	60	0
BIG CRABTREE	85	7	10	10	13	12	20	10	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	43	1	4	6	6	7	14	5	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	34	6	8	0	0	4	4	10	0
CALVARY	65	10	7	7	0	8	13	18	0
CANE CREEK	77	10	5	5	4	8	20	15	0
CENTRAL	154	10	16	16	16	11	22	54	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	137	14	20	12	0	0	15	54	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	78	7	5	5	8	7	17	25	0
FORK MOUNTAIN	52	0	10	5	9	8	7	6	0
FREEDOM	172	11	23	20	0	37	25	49	0
GRASSY CREEK	323	37	34	12	9	21	33	76	0
LEDGER	69	6	11	5	6	8	16	14	0
LIBERTY HILL	157	20	19	17	14	28	33	20	0
LILY BRANCH	97	6	8	15	6	8	21	30	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	50	1	2	3	12	4	18	10	0
MCKINNEY COVE	91	5	10	25	4	0	27	10	0
MINE CREEK	90	7	10	10	4	11	17	18	0
MOUNT CARMEL	154	15	15	9	10	0	28	53	5
MOUNTAIN VIEW	21	0	1	3	0	0	3	14	0
PINE BRANCH	219	25	18	26	8	12	100	14	1
ROAN MOUNTAIN	94	10	12	8	6	0	25	30	0
SILVER CHAPEL	87	5	2	17	6	8	16	30	0
SNOW HILL	153	21	15	8	6	24	35	36	0
SPRING CREEK	133	7	9	10	13	7	32	25	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	277	16	31	30	0	29	86	44	0
TOECANE	20	2	1	1	1	6	3	5	0
WHITE OAK	65	3	6	8	6	7	20	12	0
TOTALS	3879	338	437	389	240	370	855	879	6

i-Homebound
j-General Officers
k-Other Bible Study
12-SS Average Weekly Attendance
13-New SS Members
14-SS College Students
15-SS Single Adults
16-SS Not Church Members
17-Vacation Bible School
18-Backyard Bible Clubs

11i	11j	11k	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
0	20	0	75	0	0	12	22	105	0	ALTAPASS
0	6	0	237	11	6	0	0	165	0	BEAR CREEK
0	3	0	37	0	2	5	5	66	0	BEAVER CREEK
11	6	14	159	30	7	0	5	189	120	BERRY CHAPEL
0	3	0	74	3	0	8	5	60	0	BIG CRABTREE
0	0	0	36	0	1	4	8	40	0	BIG ROCK CREEK
0	2	0	26	8	0	0	0	43	0	BLACK MOUNTAIN
0	2	0	45	0	1	15	0	57	0	CALVARY
0	10	0	60	8	0	3	0	60	0	CANE CREEK
4	5	0	72	3	3	18	3	55	0	CENTRAL
19	3	0	50	10	0	0	0	70	0	CHESTNUT GROVE
0	4	0	68	5	2	4	2	62	0	CRABTREE CHAPEL
0	7	0	45	5	3	5	10	35	0	FORK MOUNTAIN
2	5	0	101	0	2	0	0	139	0	FREEDOM
8	8	85	255	10	1	6	5	168	10	GRASSY CREEK
0	3	0	33	4	0	1	7	50	0	LEDGER
0	6	0	110	0	0	0	0	58	0	LIBERTY HILL
0	3	0	60	6	3	5	4	40	0	LILY BRANCH
0	0	0	28	0	3	7	7	40	0	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
0	10	0	55	5	4	0	0	60	0	MCKINNEY COVE
2	11	0	40	4	1	0	1	70	0	MINE CREEK
0	4	15	82	16	2	10	0	107	0	MOUNT CARMEL
0	0	0	18	2	0	0	2	0	0	MOUNTAIN VIEW
4	7	4	148	0	6	35	0	119	0	PINE BRANCH
0	3	0	60	0	3	4	0	27	0	ROAN MOUNTAIN
0	3	0	55	6	4	3	0	38	0	SILVER CHAPEL
0	8	0	61	4	0	0	15	69	0	SNOW HILL
5	15	10	103	3	1	7	7	54	0	SPRING CREEK
34	7	0	173	27	9	13	0	101	0	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
1	0	0	17	0	0	0	1	0	0	TOECANE
0	3	0	34	4	1	3	0	57	0	WHITE OAK
90	167	128	2417	174	65	168	109	2204	130	

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

STATE
North Carolina

19-TOTAL ONGOING DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Ongoing Preschool B-5
b-Ongoing Children 6-11
c-Ongoing Youth 12-17
d-Ongoing Adults 18 & Up
e-General Officers

Church	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e
ALTAPASS	17	0	0	0	15	2
BEAR CREEK	110	4	10	15	75	6
BEAVER CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	3	0	0	0	0	3
BIG CRABTREE	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL	15	0	0	12	0	3
CHESTNUT GROVE	44	0	12	6	22	4
CRABTREE CHAPEL	39	6	4	2	25	2
FORK MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEDGER	22	0	4	3	13	2
LIBERTY HILL	0	0	0	0	0	0
LILY BRANCH	33	0	2	8	21	2
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	12	1	1	0	10	0
MCKINNEY COVE	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK	50	5	5	8	29	3
MOUNT CARMEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROAN MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL	20	2	2	2	13	1
SPRING CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	19	0	0	19	0	0
TOECANE	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	34	2	5	6	20	1
TOTALS	418	20	45	81	243	29

20-TOTAL SHORT-TERM DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Short-Term Preschool
b-Short-Term Children
c-Short-Term Youth
d-Short-Term Adults
19+20-TOTAL DT ENROLLMENT/PARTICIPATION
21-TeamKid Clubs

20	20a	20b	20c	20d	19+20	21	
0	0	0	0	0	17	0	ALTAPASS
30	0	6	4	20	140	0	BEAR CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BEAVER CREEK
45	7	15	7	16	48	0	BERRY CHAPEL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BIG CRABTREE
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BIG ROCK CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BLACK MOUNTAIN
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	CALVARY
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	CANE CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	15	0	CENTRAL
0	0	0	0	0	44	0	CHESTNUT GROVE
0	0	0	0	0	39	0	CRABTREE CHAPEL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	FORK MOUNTAIN
34	6	15	10	3	34	0	FREEDOM
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	GRASSY CREEK
3	3	0	0	0	25	0	LEDGER
6	0	1	3	2	6	0	LIBERTY HILL
0	0	0	0	0	33	0	LILY BRANCH
0	0	0	0	0	12	0	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MCKINNEY COVE
0	0	0	0	0	50	0	MINE CREEK
4	0	3	0	1	4	0	MOUNT CARMEL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MOUNTAIN VIEW
27	0	16	3	8	27	0	PINE BRANCH
10	0	6	2	2	10	0	ROAN MOUNTAIN
3	0	1	1	1	3	0	SILVER CHAPEL
0	0	0	0	0	20	0	SNOW HILL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	SPRING CREEK
147	0	10	0	137	166	0	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	TOECANE
0	0	0	0	0	34	0	WHITE OAK
309	16	73	30	190	727	0	

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

STATE
North Carolina

22-TOTAL MUSIC MINISTRY ENROLLMENT
a-Preschool 3 Years
b-Preschool 4-5 Years
c-Children 6-8 Years
d-Children 9-11 Years
e-Youth 12-17 Years

Church	22	22a	22b	22c	22d	22e
ALTAPASS	69	0	3	9	10	0
BEAR CREEK	168	8	10	15	15	15
BEAVER CREEK	37	3	2	2	2	3
BERRY CHAPEL	93	0	10	8	12	25
BIG CRABTREE	35	0	0	6	2	5
BIG ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	20	0	4	3	2	0
CALVARY	33	0	4	3	0	3
CANE CREEK	45	5	2	3	5	4
CENTRAL	40	0	4	8	7	2
CHESTNUT GROVE	34	0	0	0	3	6
CRABTREE CHAPEL	34	0	2	4	3	3
FORK MOUNTAIN	32	0	0	5	5	5
FREEDOM	84	0	3	5	10	20
GRASSY CREEK	95	5	4	14	11	6
LEDGER	52	3	4	5	8	6
LIBERTY HILL	52	0	3	6	1	7
LILY BRANCH	28	0	0	0	2	6
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	46	10	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK	60	7	5	5	8	12
MOUNT CARMEL	46	0	2	3	2	8
MOUNTAIN VIEW	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	62	0	6	6	10	12
ROAN MOUNTAIN	25	0	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	32	0	0	0	0	5
SNOW HILL	47	5	5	6	6	7
SPRING CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	94	3	3	4	10	12
TOECANE	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	24	0	0	0	2	3
TOTALS	1387	49	76	120	136	175

f-Adult Choir 18 & Up
g-Separate Senior Adult Choir
h-Handbells
i-Vocal Ensembles
j-Instrumental Ensembles

22f	22g	22h	22i	22j	
38	0	0	4	5	ALTAPASS
72	0	15	10	8	BEAR CREEK
18	0	0	7	0	BEAVER CREEK
38	0	0	0	0	BERRY CHAPEL
20	0	0	2	0	BIG CRABTREE
0	0	0	0	0	BIG ROCK CREEK
11	0	0	0	0	BLACK MOUNTAIN
15	0	0	4	4	CALVARY
20	0	0	3	3	CANE CREEK
19	0	0	0	0	CENTRAL
25	0	0	0	0	CHESTNUT GROVE
22	0	0	0	0	CRABTREE CHAPEL
17	0	0	0	0	FORK MOUNTAIN
38	0	0	8	0	FREEDOM
40	0	10	5	0	GRASSY CREEK
19	0	0	5	2	LEDGER
26	0	0	7	2	LIBERTY HILL
20	0	0	0	0	LILY BRANCH
0	0	0	0	0	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
20	0	0	12	4	MCKINNEY COVE
9	0	0	8	6	MINE CREEK
30	0	0	0	1	MOUNT CARMEL
0	0	0	0	0	MOUNTAIN VIEW
18	0	0	5	5	PINE BRANCH
25	0	0	0	0	ROAN MOUNTAIN
27	0	0	0	0	SILVER CHAPEL
18	0	0	0	0	SNOW HILL
0	0	0	0	0	SPRING CREEK
42	0	20	0	0	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
0	0	0	0	0	TOECANE
15	0	0	4	0	WHITE OAK
662	0	45	84	40	

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION AND BROTHERHOOD INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

STATE
North Carolina

23-TOTAL WMU ENROLLMENT
a-Mission Friends
b-Girls in Action 6-11 Years
c-Acteens 12-17 Years
d-Women on Mission
e-WMU Leadership Team
f-Children in Action
g-Youth on Mission
h-Adults on Mission

Church	23	23a	23b	23c	23d	23e	23f	23g	23h
ALTAPASS	21	3	7	0	11	0	0	0	0
BEAR CREEK	50	12	10	7	15	6	0	0	0
BEAVER CREEK	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	86	8	18	0	20	0	0	40	0
BIG CRABTREE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL	29	3	5	5	12	4	0	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	12	0	0	0	9	3	0	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	15	4	2	0	7	2	0	0	0
FORK MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM	76	10	16	0	27	5	0	18	0
GRASSY CREEK	33	0	0	0	26	7	0	0	0
LEDGER	14	0	4	3	5	2	0	0	0
LIBERTY HILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LILY BRANCH	12	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	14	6	0	0	5	3	0	0	0
MINE CREEK	45	5	0	0	24	5	5	6	0
MOUNT CARMEL	30	5	0	0	12	5	0	8	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	58	3	10	7	15	11	12	0	0
ROAN MOUNTAIN	24	4	6	0	11	3	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	78	3	5	0	64	6	0	0	0
TOECANE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	17	0	4	0	10	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	625	66	87	22	295	66	17	72	0

For 1995-96 Associational Year

24-TOTAL BROTHERHOOD ENROLLMENT
a-Ages 6-8
b-Ages 9-11
c-Ages 12-17
d-Ages 18 & Up
25-EZRA Enrollment
26-World Changers
27-Mission Projects
28-Mission Action Groups
24+26+27+28 Total Brotherhood Enrollment/Participation

24	24a	24b	24c	24d	25	26	27	28	TOTAL ENR/PART	
10	0	0	0	10	0	0	5	0	15	ALTAPASS
32	8	6	6	12	0	0	0	0	32	BEAR CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BEAVER CREEK
36	0	11	0	25	0	0	0	0	36	BERRY CHAPEL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BIG CRABTREE
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BIG ROCK CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	BLACK MOUNTAIN
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	15	CALVARY
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	CANE CREEK
14	3	3	0	8	4	0	0	10	24	CENTRAL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	CHESTNUT GROVE
10	0	1	2	7	0	0	0	0	10	CRABTREE CHAPEL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	FORK MOUNTAIN
27	0	9	0	18	0	0	0	0	27	FREEDOM
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	GRASSY CREEK
10	2	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	10	LEDGER
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	LIBERTY HILL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	LILY BRANCH
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MCKINNEY COVE
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MINE CREEK
16	0	0	4	12	0	0	0	0	16	MOUNT CARMEL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	MOUNTAIN VIEW
18	5	6	7	0	0	0	25	35	78	PINE BRANCH
24	0	8	0	16	0	0	0	0	24	ROAN MOUNTAIN
56	5	11	15	25	4	12	35	35	138	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	TOECANE
17	0	4	5	8	0	0	0	0	17	WHITE OAK
270	23	64	42	141	8	12	65	95	442	

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

STATE
North Carolina

31-Total Receipts
32-Undesignated Gifts
33-Designated Gifts
34-Total Local Expenditures
35-New Construction

Church	31	32	33	34	35
ALTAPASS	123593	76970	46623	94150	23665
BEAR CREEK	282336	238400	43936	125045	0
BEAVER CREEK	49618	38692	10926	32250	0
BERRY CHAPEL	129888	122688	7200	104512	0
BIG CRABTREE	38768	30191	8577	37759	16741
BIG ROCK CREEK	18654	18654	0	11250	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	20113	20113	0	20635	9867
CALVARY	37364	37364	0	31428	0
CANE CREEK	46866	27130	19736	23904	9084
CENTRAL	104124	85030	19094	56671	12000
CHESTNUT GROVE	38113	35320	2793	21027	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	49334	42833	6501	28513	0
FORK MOUNTAIN	16073	16073	0	14450	0
FREEDOM	175783	107155	68628	146346	0
GRASSY CREEK	212852	150348	62504	203924	33132
LEDGER	49039	46163	2876	32230	0
LIBERTY HILL	70469	66918	3550	59232	0
LILY BRANCH	88889	72237	16120	79399	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	39604	30007	9597	26103	0
MCKINNEY COVE	59068	54891	4177	47665	0
MINE CREEK	23747	21663	2084	25119	0
MOUNT CARMEL	71250	65870	4846	58612	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	5430	5305	125	2796	478
PINE BRANCH	230670	152963	77707	150802	0
ROAN MOUNTAIN	66788	57959	8829	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	74290	48166	31123	58882	0
SNOW HILL	50540	43435	4818	46802	0
SPRING CREEK	79064	79064	0	26012	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	414000	261800	153193	210000	0
TOECANE	5742	5372	370	4625	535
WHITE OAK	37035	34109	2926	33320	0
TOTALS	2709104	2092883	618659	1813463	105502

36-Church Literature
44-Value-Church Property
45-Money Borrowed
46-Church Debt

36	44	45	46	
1878	385000	0	0	ALTAPASS
10697	900500	0	0	BEAR CREEK
1149	700000	15000	12038	BEAVER CREEK
6800	935000	0	1158	BERRY CHAPEL
1001	150500	0	0	BIG CRABTREE
554	85000	0	0	BIG ROCK CREEK
496	200000	0	0	BLACK MOUNTAIN
779	258000	0	0	CALVARY
845	200000	0	0	CANE CREEK
6484	1000000	0	40527	CENTRAL
861	496300	0	0	CHESTNUT GROVE
835	200000	0	0	CRABTREE CHAPEL
282	150000	0	0	FORK MOUNTAIN
4560	500000	0	46111	FREEDOM
6409	600000	0	0	GRASSY CREEK
1092	450000	0	0	LEDGER
3132	450000	0	0	LIBERTY HILL
1838	550000	0	0	LILY BRANCH
222	224547	0	0	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
2788	250000	0	0	MCKINNEY COVE
561	355000	0	0	MINE CREEK
2469	420000	0	0	MOUNT CARMEL
197	52000	0	0	MOUNTAIN VIEW
8565	1020000	0	0	PINE BRANCH
1597	505000	0	0	ROAN MOUNTAIN
2105	500000	0	0	SILVER CHAPEL
2166	125000	0	0	SNOW HILL
690	200000	0	0	SPRING CREEK
7500	2000000	0	221000	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
239	70000	0	0	TOECANE
231	200000	0	0	WHITE OAK
79022	14131847	15000	320834	

MISSION EXPENDITURES

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

STATE
North Carolina

37-TOTAL SBC Mission Expenditures
38-Cooperative Program
39-Associational Missions
40-State Missions
41-Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Church	37	38	39	40	41
ALTAPASS	14392	450	3889	2470	2585
BEAR CREEK	45300	15000	4000	3000	3000
BEAVER CREEK	7257	2011	1607	2011	1607
BERRY CHAPEL	18612	12100	4053	600	600
BIG CRABTREE	1121	120	1240	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	3275	1065	910	0	200
CALVARY	3791	1932	386	0	0
CANE CREEK	1080	0	480	600	559
CENTRAL	15081	7956	1144	990	1318
CHESTNUT GROVE	6674	0	405	108	2049
CRABTREE CHAPEL	4699	3012	1687	0	250
FORK MOUNTAIN	500	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM	14560	0	2134	6962	1973
GRASSY CREEK	29562	15173	3700	605	3363
LEDGER	5954	2170	600	728	435
LIBERTY HILL	6206	2400	1800	120	0
LILY BRANCH	28653	7946	3251	2532	3124
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	450	0	731	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	5708	2100	955	200	600
MINE CREEK	1425	0	448	500	0
MOUNT CARMEL	10185	3343	2624	2228	190
MOUNTAIN VIEW	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	27496	14851	3975	0	1451
ROAN MOUNTAIN	9460	4650	1562	0	1132
SILVER CHAPEL	8547	900	2808	0	1589
SNOW HILL	6183	3525	1345	400	400
SPRING CREEK	1060	0	480	0	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	25616	20500	800	871	1416
TOECANE	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	600	200	0	0	200
TOTALS	303447	121404	47014	24925	28041

42-Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
43-Other Mission Expenditures

42	43	
3185	10515	ALTAPASS
15500	39200	BEAR CREEK
788	0	BEAVER CREEK
1722	3281	BERRY CHAPEL
0	0	BIG CRABTREE
0	0	BIG ROCK CREEK
200	700	BLACK MOUNTAIN
500	2600	CALVARY
1000	0	CANE CREEK
3672	2989	CENTRAL
3735	5320	CHESTNUT GROVE
299	9551	CRABTREE CHAPEL
0	803	FORK MOUNTAIN
3491	14350	FREEDOM
5523	4296	GRASSY CREEK
786	0	LEDGER
1886	0	LIBERTY HILL
8378	2272	LILY BRANCH
0	3655	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
1383	470	MCKINNEY COVE
500	250	MINE CREEK
1400	600	MOUNT CARMEL
259	865	MOUNTAIN VIEW
6725	8563	PINE BRANCH
1910	0	ROAN MOUNTAIN
3250	8217	SILVER CHAPEL
617	1082	SNOW HILL
0	7348	SPRING CREEK
2029	31000	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
200	400	TOECANE
200	2535	WHITE OAK
69138	160862	

SPECIAL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

STATE
North Carolina

47-AM Worship Service Attendance
48-PM Worship Service Attendance
49-Church-Related Vocations
50-Senior Adult Ministry
51-Mission Project Volunteers
52-Support Groups

Church	47	48	49	50	51	52
ALTAPASS	125	60	2	10	0	0
BEAR CREEK	395	135	0	0	0	0
BEAVER CREEK	40	22	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	175	80	0	14	36	0
BIG CRABTREE	75	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	32	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	35	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY	45	24	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	57	35	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL	66	30	0	0	3	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	85	30	0	15	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	56	32	0	0	0	0
FORK MOUNTAIN	45	20	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM	175	100	3	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	170	39	0	30	13	0
LEDGER	44	30	0	0	0	1
LIBERTY HILL	115	0	0	0	0	0
LILY BRANCH	95	50	0	0	0	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	47	12	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	65	35	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK	77	25	0	0	0	4
MOUNT CARMEL	100	50	0	5	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	20	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	159	55	0	20	23	0
ROAN MOUNTAIN	59	35	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	90	45	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL	125	45	0	0	0	0
SPRING CREEK	95	65	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST	203	81	3	40	18	4
TOECANE	17	12	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	36	21	1	0	13	0
TOTALS	2923	1168	9	134	106	9

53-Evangelistic Visitation (Y/N)
54-Bible Study at Other Times (Y/N)
55-SS Workers' Meetings (Y/N)
56-Give to associational Missions on a Percentage Basis (Y/N)
57-Intercessory Prayer Ministry (Y/N)
58-Community Ministries (Y/N)

53	54	55	56	57	58	
						ALTAPASS
N	N	Y	Y	N	N	BEAR CREEK
N	N	Y	Y	N	N	BEAVER CREEK
Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	BERRY CHAPEL
Y	N	N	Y	N	N	BIG CRABTREE
Y	N	N	N	N	N	BIG ROCK CREEK
Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	BLACK MOUNTAIN
N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	CALVARY
N	Y	N	Y	N	N	CANE CREEK
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	CENTRAL
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	CHESTNUT GROVE
Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	CRABTREE CHAPEL
N	N	N	N	N	N	FORK MOUNTAIN
Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	FREEDOM
N	Y	N	N	Y	N	GRASSY CREEK
N	N	N	N	Y	N	LEDGER
						LIBERTY HILL
N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	LILY BRANCH
N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	LITTLE ROCK CREEK
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MCKINNEY COVE
Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	MINE CREEK
N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	MOUNT CARMEL
Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	MOUNTAIN VIEW
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PINE BRANCH
Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	ROAN MOUNTAIN
N	Y	N	Y	N	N	SILVER CHAPEL
N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	SNOW HILL
						SPRING CREEK
Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	SPRUCE PINE, FIRST
N	N	N	N	N	N	TOECANE
Y	Y	N	N	N	N	WHITE OAK

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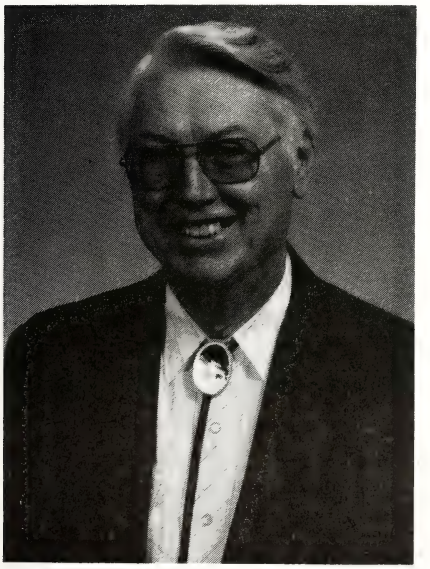
IN MEMORY...

Rev. Hugh L. Borders
July 17, 1927 – May 9, 1997
Director of Missions: July, 1975 – December, 1991



Mitchell Association felt the loss of a friend and colleague, Rev. Hugh L. Borders, who passed away this year on May 9.

Rev. Borders was born in Cleveland County on July 17, 1927. He married Dorothy M. Smith on April 25, 1948. Four children were born into this family, Leslie DiAnne, Fonda Suzette, Judy Lynn, and James Kenneth.

His formal education included National Business College in Shelby, Gardner-Webb College (A.A. Degree) in Boiling Springs, Limestone College (A.B. Degree) in Gaffney, South Carolina and Southeastern Seminary (B.D. Degree) in Wake Forest. He also attended the School of Pastoral Care, North Carolina Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem for an eight weeks Summer School to complete the requirements for the M. Div. Degree.

Rev. Borders pastoral experience included New Buffalo Baptist Church in Grover, Ephesus Baptist Church in Spring Hope, and Lattimore Baptist Church in Lattimore. He then came to Spruce Pine in 1968 to serve as pastor of First Baptist Church. He held the position of Moderator for Mitchell Association in 1972 and 1973.

In July, 1975, Rev. Borders accepted the position of our associational Director of Missions. He held that position for 16½ years until his retirement on December 31, 1991. Rev. Borders was instrumental in the construction of our current associational office building. He had the vision and prayed much about a permanent building. Upon its completion the building was debt-free.

Rev. Borders was a member of Berry Chapel at the time of his death.

His epitaph says it best, "Loved God and people. Sought to serve both."

IN MEMORY...

Rev. J. Astor Buchanan
January 20, 1994 - December 29, 1996

After preaching his last sermon at Pine Branch Baptist Church on December 29, 1996, Rev. J. Astor Buchanan went home to be with his Lord. Rev. Buchanan touched the lives of many people in Mitchell County and surrounding areas.

Rev. Buchanan was ordained into the ministry on September 6, 1941. He was married to Pauline Ballew on September 18, 1942. They had six children; 5 boys and 1 girl. After the death of his wife, Rev. Buchanan later married Kathleen on January 1, 1983.

Rev. Buchanan pastored twenty-one churches in Eastern Tennessee and Western North Carolina. Those in Mitchell County included, Calvary, Red Hill, Cub Creek, Windom, Fork Mountain, Mine Creek, and Cane Creek. He pastored some of these more than once. He also held hundreds of revivals in his fifty-five years as a minister.

Rev. Buchanan preached the Annual Sermon to the Mitchell Association in 1959, in 1960, in 1981, and again in 1991. He served on various committees for the association and was serving on the Resolutions Committee at the time of his death.

Rev. Buchanan was a member of Pine Branch Baptist Church where many of his family members still attend.

Matthew 25:21 says, "*Well done, thou good and faithful servant...*" Rev. J. Astor Buchanan will be remembered in this way.

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Director of Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Rt. 2, Box 1018, Burnsville
Moderator ..... Rev. David Troutman
Rt. 3, Box 423, Spruce Pine
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Steve Williams
Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville
Clerk ..... Judy Greer
136 Hill St., Spruce Pine
Treasurer ..... Beverly Hollifield
518 Rock House Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
Sunday School Director ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
729 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
Brotherhood Director ..... Rev. David Johnson
Rt. 2, Box 1118, Spruce Pine
W.M.U. Co-Director ..... Jean Warren
110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine
Marlene Ayers
Rt. 4, Box 431, Bakersville
Church Music Director ..... Oscar Horrell
Rt. 5, Box 353A, Bakersville
VBS Director ..... Rev. Mike Brown
Rt. 2, Box 606, Spruce Pine
Evangelism Chairman ..... Rev. Sibbald Lambert
Rt. 1, Box 742, Spruce Pine
Historian ..... Buster Sparks
124 School Road, Bakersville
Missions Committee Chairman ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
Seminary Extension Chairman ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin
115 Pine Branch Rd., Spruce Pine
Youth Council Director ..... Claudia Pittman
469 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
Bible Drill Director ..... Martha Burleson
125 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville

ASSOCIATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Moderator ..... Rev. David Troutman
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Steve Williams
Clerk ..... Judy Greer
Treasurer ..... Beverly Hollifield
Sunday School Director ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
WMU Director ..... Jean Warren, Marlene Ayers

Brotherhood Director ..... Rev. David Johnson
Evangelism Director ..... Rev. Sibbald Lambert
Historian ..... Buster Sparks

W.M.U. DIRECTORY

W.M.U. Co-Director ..... Jean Warren
110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine
Marlene Ayers
Rt. 4, Box 431, Bakersville
Secretary ..... Nora Nell Jarrett
125 NC 226 South, Bakersville
G.A. Director ..... Amy Ellis
Rt. 1, Box 707, Spruce Pine
Acteens Director ..... Susie Buchanan
P.O. Box 891, Spruce Pine
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443 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
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302 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
Ethnic/Language-Culture Consultant ..... Mary Lynn Wilson
Rt. 4, Box 408-A, Bakersville

PASTORS' CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin
115 Pine Branch Rd., Spruce Pine
Vice-President ..... Rev. Mark McKinney
Rt. 3, Box 98C, Bakersville
Secretary/Treasurer ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine

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Sunday School Director ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
729 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
Adults ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
Youth ..... Rev. Russell McKinney
175 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville
Children .....
Preschool ..... Ella Gouge
224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine

Outreach ..... Rev. George Gouge
224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine

COMMITTEES FOR THE 1997-98 SESSION

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1998 ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro, Chairman
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Greg Hollifield

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. Steve Sisk
Rev. Sibbald Lambert, Chairman
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. David Johnson
Rev. Michael Brown
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Matthew Stephens
Rev. Steve Williams

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1998 ..... Eldon Cooke
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. John Chick, Chairman
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. David Wiseman

SEMINARY EXTENSION

Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. John Chick
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, Chairman

ORDINATION EXAMINING COMMITTEE*

Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. Jay Orr, Chairman
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. David Troutman
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Max Holland
*Plus the Moderator, the Director of Missions, and the Candidate's pastor.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1998 ..... Rev. George Gouge
Term Expiring 1999 ..... Glen Thompson
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. David Johnson, Chairman

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

	North	Central	South
Term Expiring 1998	Ivan Greene Fork Mountain	Ray Buchanan Silver Chapel	Melvin Dellinger Freedom
Term Expiring 1999	Don Stafford Calvary	Gerold Grindstaff Snow Hill	John Chick Beaver Creek
Term Expiring 2000	Louise McKinney Roan Mountain	Reed Burleson Ledger	Jack Riddle Grassy Creek

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the listed Associational officers, all pastors, and the following elected by the churches.)

ALTAPASS ..... Chris Henley
Rt. 3, Box 275, Spruce Pine

BEAR CREEK ..... Leonard Wiggins
109 Church Rd., Bakersville

BERRY CHAPEL ..... Ray Young
205 Cabin Rd., Spruce Pine

CENTRAL ..... John Wellborn
210 Martha Drive, Spruce Pine

CHESTNUT GROVE ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
729 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine

CRABTREE CHAPEL ..... Richard McKinney
103 Duncan St., Spruce Pine

FREEDOM ..... Carl Roach
Rt. 2, Box 546, Spruce Pine

GRASSY CREEK ..... Vera Riddle
103 Azalea Drive, Spruce Pine

LEDGER ..... Jack Sparks
Possum Trot Rd., Bakersville

LIBERTY HILL ..... Max Cabe
Rt. 1, Box 154, Spruce Pine

LILY BRANCH ..... Reece Brinkley
Rt. 3, Box 137-A, Bakersville

MOUNT CARMEL ..... Avery Buchanan
106 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine

SNOW HILL ..... Lewis Turbyfill
155 Wing Rd., Bakersville

SPRUCE PINE, FIRST ..... Jean Warren
110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine

SERMONS FOR 1998 SESSIONS

Monday ..... Rev. Matthew Stephens
Alternate - Rev. David Wiseman
Tuesday ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin
Alternate - Rev. David Troutman

TRUSTEES

Lee Sparks, Alvin Livingston, Walter Hoyle, Windle Young

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

CALVARY ..... Kenneth Murphy
P.O. Box 1031, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN ..... Brad Hughes
Rt. 2, Box 571, Spruce Pine

MINISTERS ORDAINED DURING THE YEAR

CALVARY ..... Rev. Kenneth Murphy
P.O. Box 1031, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK ..... Rev. J.D. McClellan
Rt. 1, Box 771, Spruce Pine
PINE BRANCH ..... Rev. Garry Sparks
P.O. Box 1362, Linville

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. John Chick - Chairman, Rev. Matthew Stephens, Rev. Russell McKinney

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Mark McKinney - Chairman, Rev. Howard Buchanan, Rev. Steve Sisk

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff - Chairman, Rev. Steve Williams, Rev. David Johnson

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Alvin Carpenter - Chairman, Rev. David Wiseman, Greg Hollifield

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

ALTAPASS: Rev. Steve Sisk, Carol Sisk, Gladys Saxon, Ray Saxon, Iris Burleson, Louella Polechio
BEAR CREEK: Rev. Max Holland, Kathleen Buchanan, Rev. Howard Buchanan, Russell Burleson, Marie Jarrett, Irene Sparks, Vessie Willis, Myrtle E. Sparks, Ilene Burleson
BEAVER CREEK: Rev. John Chick, Phillip Henline, Mary Henline, Anna Mae Carpenter, Beulah Burleson
BERRY CHAPEL: Rev. George Gouge, Ella Gouge, Judy Greer, Mary Stafford, Edna Grabowski, Myrtle Pittman, Jeanette Woody, Faye Woody
BIG CRABTREE: Dora Willis, Claude Willis, Rev. Daniel Whetstine
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Greg Hollifield
CALVARY: Rev. Don Stafford, Elden Cooke, LeElla Cooke, Helen Beaver, Edward Beaver
CANE CREEK: Rev. Mark McKinney, Roger Buchanan, Christine Buchanan, Doris Ledford, Beulah Ledford
CENTRAL: Rev. Matthew Stephens, Becky Sue Stephens, Monroe Bridges
CHESTNUT GROVE: Rev. Alvin Carpenter, Rev. Richard Hollifield, Sandra Fulmer, Henry Fulmer, Claudette McHone, Lee McHone, Carrie Washburn
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Rev. Fred Proctor, Ted Sparks, Charles Allen, Mrs. Charlie Renfro, Tim Blevins
FORK MOUNTAIN: Ivan Greene
FREEDOM: Rev. David Troutman, Susan Troutman, Bernice Peters, Melvin Dellinger, Naomi Dellinger, Gladys Burleson, Carl Roach, Alta Roach
GRASSY CREEK: Rev. Sibbald Lambert, Betty Murphy, Katherine Riddle, Wilma Burleson, Fred E. Burleson, Lucille Cook, Lee McClellan, Dick Vance, Cornell Vance, Vera Riddle, Jack Riddle,
LEDGER: Rev. David Wiseman, Reed Burleson, Martha Burleson
LIBERTY HILL: Rev. David Johnson, Judy Johnson, Eddie Williams, Doris Proffitt, Margaret Freeman, Jenny Buckner, Keith Buckner, Elsie McKinney, Edith Hinkle, Harry Hinkle, Marie Sparks
LILY BRANCH: Rev. Steve Williams, Beverly Williams, Carl Murdock, Jackie Thomas, Regina Murdock, Dorothy Grindstaff, Mabel Murdock, Kathleen Hall
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Virginia Lovejoy, Gordon Lovejoy
McKINNEY COVE: Rev. Russell McKinney, Tonya McKinney, Marlene Ayers, Johnny Ayers
MINE CREEK: Rev. Kenneth Murphy, Fleet Hensley, Janice Hensley, Judy Roberts, Jean McCourry
MOUNT CARMEL: Rev. Michael Brown, Avery Buchanan, Richard Haney
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Rev. Richard Grindeland, Blanche Stanley, Sandy Burns, Channing Burns
PINE BRANCH: Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, Jewel Gaskin, Susie Buchanan, Greg Franklin, Lee Sparks, Doris Sullins
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Rev. Tom Watson, Chris Renfro

SILVER CHAPEL: Mozell Howell, Fred Louis Howell, Sherwin Buchanan, Elberta Buchanan
SNOW HILL: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Veida Ayers, Rev. Lee Ayers
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Jean Warren, David Thayer, Rev. R.M. Cassity
TOECANE: Joe Grindstaff, Betty Grindstaff
WHITE OAK: Rev. James (Buster) Yelton, Marcella Bailey, Peggy McMahan, Marian McNeill

CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: First, the officers of the Association; Second, Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; Third, Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one-hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time

of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Discipleship Training Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members of the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5B. A Budget and Finance Committee. This committee shall consist of six lay persons and three pastors with no church having more than one member. Their terms of service shall be for three years with three members rotating off each year.

The Nominating Committee shall include in their report each year the names of three persons for membership on the Budget and Finance Committee. The committee will elect their own chairperson.

The Moderator, Treasurer, and Director of Missions shall serve as ex officio members of this committee.

It shall be the duty of this committee to receive individual budget requests from department directors and committee chairpersons, and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet the needs in light of anticipated contributions

from the churches.

This committee shall publish the proposed budget sixty days prior to the annual meeting, and seek opportunities to promote the proposed budget in the churches.

Once the budget has been adopted, the committee will be available to advise the treasurer regarding disbursements, especially when "Cash on Deposit" makes it necessary to give priority to certain line items in the budget.

Article 5C. Associational Council

1. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Discipleship Training, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Historian.
2. The Association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to coordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.
3. The council shall be responsible for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for coordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.
4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.
5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Article 5D. Missions Committee

This committee shall be composed of five (5) members. The duties of this committee are:

1. To work with the Director of Missions and serve as the mediator between him and the Association.
2. To work with local churches or groups contemplating the establishment of new work and/or missions.
3. To promote the missionary and extension work of the Association.

Article 5E. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Monday and Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good

and sufficient reason therefore shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the second day's session.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

149th ANNUAL SESSION
Mitchell County Baptist Association

Mount Carmel Baptist Church
Monday, August 25, 1997
3:30 - 9:00 P.M.

Scripture Theme: Isaiah 6:8

"Also I heard the voice of the Lord saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me."

3:30 Call to Order . . . . . Rev. George Gouge, Moderator

	Hymn #94	"At the Cross"
	Welcome	Rev. Michael Brown
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. Matthew Stephens
	Committee Report: Order of Business	Rev. Tom Watson
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
3:45	Special Music	Buchanan Family
3:50	Mayland College Baptist Student Union	Charles Greer
4:05	Baptist Children's Homes	James Byrd
4:15	State Missions	Tom Lolley
4:25	South Africa Partnership	Dr. Ken Gaskin
4:35	Hymn #131	"There Is A Name I Love To Hear"
4:40	Hispanic Ministry	Charles Alonso
4:50	Special Music	"Never Ending Joy"
5:00	Challenge Message	Rev. Phillip Davis
5:30	Benediction and Blessing on the meal	Rev. Dallas Renfro

(Break for the evening meal)

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7:00	Call to Order	Rev. George Gouge, Moderator
	Hymn #192	"Are You Washed In The Blood?"
	Scripture and Prayer	Monroe Cook
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Prison Ministry	Rev. Russell Hoilman
7:30	Summer Student Missionary	Stephanie Buchanan

7:45	DOM Report	Rev. Daniel Whetstine
7:55	Hymn #200	"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"
8:00	Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, Welcome of New Pastors, Treasurer's Report, Budget and Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and Miscellaneous Business	
8:25	Special Music	Vernell Hill
8:30	Annual Sermon	Rev. Mark McKinney
9:00	Benediction	Rev. R.M. Cassity

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Cane Creek Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 26, 1997
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

7:00	Call to Order	Rev. George Gouge, Moderator
	Hymn #41	"To God Be The Glory"
	Welcome	Rev. Mark McKinney
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. David Wiseman
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Special Music	Pastors' Choir
7:25	Mission Message	Rev. Dennis Connell
8:00	Hymn #216	"I Am Resolved"
	Recognitions, Announcements, Nominating Committee's Report, Election of Officers, Program Committee, and Miscellaneous Business	
8:15	Special Music	Associational Youth Choir
8:25	Annual Sermon	Rev. Fred Proctor
9:00	Benediction	Rev. Buster Yelton

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Mount Carmel Baptist Church
August 25, 1997
3:30 P.M.

1. The 149th Annual Session of the Mitchell County Baptist Association met on Monday afternoon, August 25, 1997, 3:30 P.M., at Mount Carmel Baptist Church, in Spruce Pine. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. George Gouge, pastor of Berry Chapel Baptist Church. The scriptural theme for this year's sessions was "Also I heard the voice of the Lord saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me." Isaiah 6:8.

2. The congregation was led by Rev. David Troutman, in singing the hymn, "At The Cross."

3. Rev. Michael Brown, pastor of Mount Carmel Baptist Church, gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

4. Rev. Matthew Stephens, pastor of Central Baptist Church, read from Philippians 2:14 and led in the opening prayer.

5. The Order of Business Report was given by Rev. Tom Watson, who made the motion to accept the program for the 1997 Annual Sessions. The motion was seconded and approved.

6. Judy Greer, Associational Clerk, gave the roll call of churches. Twenty-six churches were represented. (See Messengers to Association for names of churches and messengers, pages 6-7.) Registration cards were handed out at this time.

7. Special music was provided by Cindy Stafford and Kelly Barnett, who sang "On Holy Ground."

8. Charles Greer reported on Mayland College's Baptist Student Union. He reported that this started as a prayer group that led into this organization. He requested prayer for this new BSU.

9. Jim Byrd was a representative from the Children's Home and gave their report. He invited everyone over for the Area Conference Day to be held on September 4 at Broyhill Homes.

10. Tom Lolley, Regional Missionary, gave a report on State Missions.

11. Dr. Kenneth Gaskin gave a report on the South Africa Partnership. He stated that we helped to provide a tent for crusades and there had been 62 professions of faith. Another trip is being planned for February 24 - March 3.

12. The congregation was led in the hymn, "There Is A Name I Love To Hear."

13. A report on the Hispanic Ministry was given by Charles Alonso. They continue to have services at the Tabernacle.

14. Special music was provided by the Waterman family (Never Ending Joy).

15. A Challenge Message was brought by Rev. Phillip Davis, pastor of Nations Ford Baptist Church in Charlotte. His scripture passage was Isaiah 6:8 and he spoke on "Whom Shall I Send?"

16. Directions were given to the evening meal.

17. A benediction and blessing on the evening meal was given by Rev. Dallas Renfro, pastor of Little Rock Creek Baptist Church.

Break for evening meal.

18. The evening session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. George Gouge.

19. The congregation was led in the hymn, "Amazing Grace."

20. Rev. Don Stafford, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, read from I John 3 and led in prayer.

21. A second roll call of the churches was given with three additional churches represented. This makes twenty-nine churches represented.

22. The Moderator turned the remainder of the session over to the Vice-Moderator, Rev. David Troutman.

23. A report on the Blue Ridge Prison Ministry was given by Rev. Russell Hoilman, Prison Chaplain. He introduced three inmates who spoke briefly thanking us for this ministry. Rev. Hoilman reported that in the past year he had seen 133 young men come through this prison with 62 professions of faith and 2 commitments to the ministry. Rev. Hoilman asked for your continued support by prayers, volunteering and contributions.

24. Miss Stephanie Buchanan, associational summer missionary, reported on her work. Stephanie worked with After Church in the Park, Backyard Bible Clubs and Campground Ministry. She presented a scrap book to be kept in the

associational office.

25. During the time of recognitions Coy Jeans from the Baptist Foundation gave a brief report on his work.

26. The Evangelistic Crusade was announced and the dates given for September 1-5.

27. Rev. George Gouge called attention to the Committees appointed by the Moderator. (See page 5)

28. Our new pastors were recognized at this time. They were Rev. David Johnson (Liberty Hill), Rev. Fred Proctor (Crabtree Chapel), Rev. Matthew Stephens (Central), and Rev. Kenneth Murphy (Mine Creek).

29. Judy Greer, interim treasurer, gave the year-end Treasurer's Report. She reported a balance in the treasury of $6,217.48.

30. The Executive Committee Report was presented as information by the associational clerk, Judy Greer.

31. Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, presented the Proposed Budget for 1997-98. With no questions, the motion was made for its adoption. It was seconded and approved.

32. In the way of Miscellaneous Business, Rev. David Troutman read a letter that had been sent to Kermit Biddix and Jesus Saves Baptist Church. It stated reasons why we could not accept them into our association at this time.

33. Special music was presented by Vernell Hill who sang "Beulah Land."

34. Rev. Mark McKinney, pastor of Cane Creek Baptist Church, brought the Annual Sermon. His scripture was Revelation 1:9-20 and he spoke on "Jesus' Characteristics."

35. The benediction was given by Rev. George Gouge.

Cane Creek Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 26, 1997
7:00 P.M.

36. Rev. George Gouge, Moderator, called the second night's session to order.

37. The congregation sang the hymn, "Are You Washed In The Blood?"

38. Rev. Mark McKinney, pastor of Cane Creek Baptist Church, gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

39. Rev. David Wiseman, pastor of Ledger Baptist Church, read Acts 4:8-13 and led in the opening prayer.

40. A roll call of churches was given by the clerk. Registration cards were handed out at this time.

41. Special music was provided by the Pastors' Choir.

42. A Mission Message was given by Rev. Dennis Connell, a missionary to Japan. His family is on furlough at this time.

43. The congregation was led in the hymn, "I Am Resolved."

44. Announcements were made at this time. The Evangelistic Crusade for September 1-5 was announced; a visiting missionary to McKinney Cove on September 8 was announced; a prayer request for the Mayland Baptist Student Union was made.

45. Rev. Russell McKinney, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the slate of officers and directors for the 1997-98 year. He stated that the Treasurer's position had been filled by Beverly Hollifield. This had been presented to the Executive Committee in July and voted on at that time. He also stated that a Sunday School Director was needed. Rev. Richard Hollifield has accepted this position. A motion was made for the adoption of this report. The motion was seconded and approved.

46. The election of officers began with Rev. David Johnson nominating Rev. David Troutman as Moderator. With no other nominations, the motion carried. Rev. Steve Williams was nominated by Rev. Tom Watson for Vice-Moderator. With no other nominations, the motion carried. Judy Greer was nominated to continue as clerk. The motion carried.

47. The Time, Place and Preacher Committee announced that for the 1998 Annual Session, the first night's meeting will be at Pine Branch Baptist Church and the second night at Berry Chapel Baptist Church. The Annual Sermons will be brought by Rev. Matthew Stephens (alternate Rev. David Wiseman) and by Dr. Kenneth Gaskin (alternate Rev. David Troutman).

48. In miscellaneous business:

(a) Rev. David Johnson, Brotherhood Director, asked for the help of the men in the association.

(b) Judy Greer made the motion for the 1997 Minute Books be dedicated to the memory of Rev. Hugh Borders and Rev. Astor Buchanan. The motion was

seconded and approved.

(c) Rev. George Gouge was commended for serving two years as our Moderator.

(d) Aleasha Winters, from Berry Chapel Baptist Church, was recognized for being the 1997 State Speakers' Tournament winner. She was presented with a gift and card.

49. Special music was provided by the Associational Youth Choir.

50. Rev. Fred Proctor, pastor of Crabtree Chapel Baptist Church, brought the Annual Sermon. His text was taken from Hebrews 12:1-2. He spoke on "Working As A Team."

51. Rev. Dallas Renfro sang, "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow."

52. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Rev. Buster Yelton, pastor of White Oak Baptist Church.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

January 23, 1997

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, January 23, 1997, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. George Gouge, Moderator, presided, and called the meeting to order. Greg Hollifield, interim pastor of Black Mountain, led in the devotional and opened in prayer.

The following churches were represented – asterisk indicates presence of pastor: Bear Creek, *Beaver Creek, *Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Black Mountain, *Cane Creek, *Central, *Freedom, Grassy Creek, *Ledger, Lily Branch, *Pine Branch, *Snow Hill and *Jesus Saves Baptist Church (which is under the watchcare of the association.) A total of 22 people were in attendance.

Regina Murdock, treasurer, reported that our balance in the treasury was $10,446.69.

There was no old business. •A brief report was given on Bible Drill, stating that the Associational Drills would take place on Saturday, April 5. •The Director of Missions stated that the Evangelism Committee has a meeting scheduled on January 27. • The Spanish Ministry is now holding Bible classes at the fellowship hall of Pine Branch on Fridays, 6:30-8:30 P.M. This was reported by Dr. Kenneth Gaskin. •Rev. Kermit Biddix reports that Jesus Saves Baptist Church now has an attendance of 14-16. They have a revival scheduled and have plans for a building project. •Dr. Kenneth Gaskin reported on the South Africa Project. A team from the Yancey Association is going to work on the pastor's home, February 27-March 10. Mitchell sent $800.00 to help repair a tent used for revivals and to help repair a generator. •The Director of

Missions reported on: (1) The Bi-Vocational Pastors' Conference. He wants the pastors to help choose the subject topic. (2) An Inter-Faith Witness Conference, sponsored by the Home Mission Board will be held in late spring or early summer. This will deal with Jehovah Witnesses. (3) The association will be working with Joe David Fore, Western Area Director of Campus Ministries, to start a Baptist Student Union at Mayland College. (4) The association needs a summer worker. This should be someone college age to do mission work around the association. We need recommendations.

Announcements included: (1) A blood drive will be held at Central Baptist Church on February 10. (2) A meeting will be held at the Tabernacle April 7-11. (3) Freedom will be taking a group to Camp Zion in Mississippi on March 10-13. (4) Pine Branch will be hosting a mission trip for their youth this summer. (5) A group of youth and adults from Reidsville will be in our area the last week in July helping with work needed (such as repairs) on our churches. (6) Our prison ministry is still going strong. Rev. Russell Hoilman will hopefully be going to full-time chaplain in March. A presentation is prepared and can be given in any church upon request.

New business included: (1) Our Director of Missions made a motion that we form a Disaster Relief Team of our own. An aluminum trailer, size 8x12, can be purchased for $3,205 and size 7x12 for $2,965. A training session will be held April 4-5 in the Truett Association for team members. Dr. Kenneth Gaskin moved that we proceed with this motion. A discussion followed asking questions as to the size needed and money available. The motion carried. It was then recommended that the Budget and Finance Committee look into the money available. It was recommended that the Executive Committee give the Budget and Finance Committee the authority to make the decision as to how to purchase this trailer. Whether to take it out of the treasury or use the churches to help raise money. The recommendation was so moved and approved. The moderator appointed a committee to look into the size needed. These members consist of Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, Ray Young, Rev. David Troutman, Rev. John Chick and Monroe Bridges.

(2) The Director of Missions made a motion to furnish our extra room in the associational office which was intended for a Prophet's Room. This would give us an opportunity to house visiting evangelists, missionaries, and guest speakers. Rev. David Troutman made the motion that we accept this recommendation. It was also recommended that we name this room the "J. Astor Buchanan Room." These recommendations were approved. We will look into donations for this room.

(3) Rev. David Troutman recommended that we send a letter of support to the Haywood Association for their stand against the billboards and advertising in their county for the gambling in Cherokee. This recommendation was approved and the secretary was asked to send this letter.

Rev. David Troutman dismissed the meeting in prayer.

April 17, 1997

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, April 17, 1997, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Director of Missions, presided in the absence of the Moderator. He called the meeting to order. Rev. Buster Yelton, pastor of White Oak, opened the meeting with scripture and prayer.

The following churches were represented – asterisk indicates presence of pastor: Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, Chestnut Grove, Freedom, Grassy Creek, Spruce Pine, First, and *White Oak. Seven people were present. The January minutes were read and approved.

Jean Warren, Director of WMU, gave a report on the upcoming Annual WMU Meeting. Daniel Whetstine gave a report on his work for the past three months.

Old business included: an upcoming meeting for Bi-Vocational pastors; an Interfaith Witness Conference; the moving ahead on the Disaster Relief Van; and the progress on the Prophet's Room in the associational office.

New business included: the search for a new treasurer; and the hiring of Stephanie Buchanan from Berry Chapel, to be our summer student missionary.

A motion was made to contact Beverly Hollifield and ask her to be our treasurer. The motion was seconded and approved.

The Director of Missions gave more information on the incorporation of the association. One matter that had to go on the form was where our assets would go if the association ever dissolved. It was stated that the building and land would go back to Berry Chapel as stated in our deed. A motion was made that we list the Baptist Children's Homes as the beneficiary. This motion was seconded and approved. The information for the incorporation of the association will now be taken to the lawyer's office.

Our next scheduled meeting will be Thursday, July 17, at the associational office. The meeting was adjourned.

July 17, 1997

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, July 17, 1997, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Director of Missions, presided in the absence of the Moderator. He called the meeting to order. Rev. Russell McKinney, pastor of McKinney Cove Baptist Church, opened the meeting with scripture and prayer.

The following churches were represented. Asterisk indicates presence of pastor: Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, Grassy Creek, *Liberty Hill, *McKinney Cove, *Roan Mountain, Spruce Pine, First and *Jesus Saves (under watchcare). Eight people were present.

The April minutes were read and approved by the clerk. She also gave the treasurer's report which shows a balance of $5,424.08. Our new treasurer, Beverly Hollifield, will be taking over this position at the beginning of our new associational year, August 1.

Information was also given that the incorporation of the association had been

completed and we were officially incorporated on May 12, 1997.

Old business included the Disaster Relief Van. After consideration by the Budget and Finance Committee it was decided to fund this effort through the donations of the churches.

The Prophet's Room in the associational office is presently being furnished. Furniture has been ordered and will be delivered soon. New business included the budget for the 1997-98 associational year. Copies were handed out and changes were brought to the attention of the members present. Total budget for 1997-98 is $60,789.90, an increase of $1,939 from last year. It was stated that the church contributions were down and that an appeal to the churches be given to help increase their giving to the association.

Rev. David Johnson made a motion for a committee to be formed to look into the poor attendance at our Executive Committee meetings and see how we can create more interest. The motion was discussed and then seconded and approved. The following committee was appointed: Rev. Kenneth Gaskin, Rev. Mark McKinney, Jack Riddle, and Rev. David Johnson - Chairman.

The Director of Missions, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, gave his quarterly report of his work inside and outside of the associational office.

Mrs. Jean Warren, associational WMU director, gave a report on the WMU and stated that a training team would be going to Fruitland this coming week-end. She also stated that Marlene Ayers would be her co-director for the 1997-98 year.

Information was given on the sesquicentennial (150th) anniversary of the Mitchell Association which will take place in 1998. Special events will be planned for our annual meeting next year to celebrate this special year.

Rev. David Johnson closed the meeting with prayer and the meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be our annual meeting in August.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Greer, Clerk

MITCHELL ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET

	1996-97	1997-98
I. PERSONNEL MINISTRIES		
Director of Missions:		
Salary	$ 8,100.00	8,100.00
Housing Allowance	3,000.00	3,405.00
Travel Reimbursement	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Secretary	15,435.00	16,207.00
II. MISSION SUPPORT MINISTRIES WITH THE LOCAL CHURCH		
Sunday School/VBS	650.00	650.00
Discipleship Training/Memory Work	350.00	350.00
Brotherhood	75.00	75.00
WMU	300.00	500.00
Evangelism	1,000.00	1,000.00
Church Music	100.00	100.00
Youth	250.00	250.00
Blue Ridge Youth Cntr. Ministry	2,100.00	2,100.00
Hispanic Ministry	600.00	600.00
III. OUR ADMINISTRATIVE - SUPPORT MINISTRIES		
Missionary's Retirement	4,000.00	4,000.00
Conventions, Conferences, Workshops, etc.	700.00	700.00
Social Security Allowance:		
Director of Missions	800.00	800.00
Secretary	1,190.00	1,252.00
Hospital Insurance/Secretary	4,800.00	4,800.00
Treasurer's Honorarium	400.00	400.00
Christmas Bonuses:		
Director of Missions	500.00	500.00
Secretary	400.00	400.00
Telephone	800.00	800.00
Office Supplies & Repairs	2,500.00	3,000.00
Postage	1,500.00	1,500.00
Utilities	1,200.00	1,200.00
Fire Insurance	500.00	500.00
Miscellaneous Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00
Flowers/Memorials	100.00	100.00
Supplies for Risograph	1,500.00	1,500.00
Summer Student Missionary	1,000.00	1,000.00
Building & Grounds Maintenance	1,000.00	1,000.00
Resource & Workshop Material	400.00	400.00
Audio/Visual Equipment	600.00	600.00
Benevolence Fund	500.00	500.00
TOTAL	$ 58,850.00	$ 60,789.00

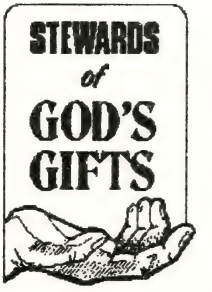
TREASURER'S REPORT
Twelve Months Ending, July 31, 1997

RECEIPTS:	
Church Contributions	$ 44,581.22
Sale of Supplies, Printing, etc.	691.78
Minute Fund	1,004.50
NC State Convention Supplement	1,825.00
Avery Assoc. Reimbursement/DOM Health Insurance	4,443.36
NC Sales Tax Refund	22.35
Blue Ridge Youth Center	1,175.03
Evangelistic Crusade	1,038.04
Hispanic Ministry	1,600.92
South Africa Tent Fund	400.00
Sunday School Reimbursements	161.88
Tri-County Tabernacle	60.00
State Convention (share of State Offering)	1,190.64
Bibles	400.00
Astor Buchanan Memorial Room	100.00
Flood Relief	1,500.00
Miscellaneous Income	790.26
Total Receipts	$ 60,984.98

DISBURSEMENTS:	
Director of Missions - Salary	8,100.00
Housing Allowance	3,000.00
Travel	1,250.00
Secretary's Salary	15,435.12
Christmas Bonus - Director	500.00
Christmas Bonus - Secretary	400.00
Summer Worker	800.00
Dues and Subscriptions	74.95
Evangelistic Crusade	1,902.22
Secretary Annuity/Insurance Expense	6,469.36
Director Annuity/Insurance Expense	8,110.36
Grounds Upkeep	300.00
Electric Power	821.18
Honorarium - Annual Meeting	100.00
Hispanic Ministry	1,692.24
Flood Relief	1,000.00
Fire Insurance	591.64
Treasurer's Honorarium	300.00
Incorporation Application	50.00
Adult Rally	327.21

Benevolence	300.00
Memorials/Florist	28.00
Blue Ridge Prison Ministry/Budget	2,125.00
Miscellaneous	119.07
Blue Ridge Prison Ministry/Designated	1,130.07
Meetings, Conventions, Seminars	319.50
Office Supplies	2,510.91
Incorporation Kit/Lawyer's Fee	73.35
Postage	996.12
Tabernacle Rent (for guest)	60.00
Repairs and Maintenance	886.70
South Africa Tent Fund	800.00
Printing Minutes	985.54
Sunday School	465.63
Videos	193.90
Supplies	1,048.64
Computer Supplies	590.00
Bible Drill	100.00
Payroll Taxes - Secretary	1,653.93
Social Security Allowance - Director	701.70
Telephone	588.10
WMU	516.48
Youth Services/Ministry	12.80
Vacation Bible School	$ 28.05
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$ 67,457.77

Cash on Deposit, July 31, 1996	$ 12,690.27
Add: Receipts for Aug. '96-July '97	60,984.98
Total	$ 73,675.25
Less: Disbursements for Aug. '96-July '97	67,457.77
Cash on Deposit, July 31, 1997	$ 6,217.48



CHURCHES GIVING TO ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS
Year Ending, July 31, 1997

CHURCH	MAY--JULY	AUG.---APR.	TOTALS
Altapass	$ 697.00	$ 2,209.00	$ 2,906.00
Bakersville	430.50	1,245.75	1,676.25
Bear Creek	999.94	3,000.06	4,000.00
Beaver Creek	501.29	1,109.77	1,611.06
Berry Chapel	420.00	2,732.70	3,152.70
Big Crabtree	238.00	1,110.00	1,348.00
Big Rock Creek	0	0	0
Black Mountain	265.32	910.65	1,175.97
Calvary	83.09	293.88	376.97
Cane Creek	120.00	360.00	480.00
Central	333.00	798.75	1,131.75
Chestnut Grove	70.55	318.26	388.81
Crabtree Chapel	184.91	585.72	770.63
Fork Mountain	0	0	0
Freedom	373.49	1,620.50	1,993.99
Grassy Creek	924.99	2,774.97	3,699.96
Ledger	0	1,316.25	1,316.25
Liberty Hill	300.00	1,350.00	1,650.00
Lily Branch	903.05	2,391.70	3,294.75
Little Rock Creek	228.33	587.47	815.80
McKinney Cove	0	900.00	900.00
Mine Creek	332.98	373.99	706.97
Mount Carmel	542.74	1,662.35	2,205.09
Mountain View	0	0	0
Pine Branch	955.87	1,634.20	2,590.07
Roan Mountain	622.24	1,251.44	1,873.68
Silver Chapel	600.69	1,875.75	2,476.44
Snow Hill	263.43	786.65	1,050.08
Spring Creek	80.00	360.00	440.00
Spruce Pine, First	150.00	400.00	550.00
Toecane	0	0	0
White Oak	0	0	0
TOTALS	$ 10,621.41	$ 33,959.81	$ 44,581.22

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Since opening its doors in 1923, The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated has remained fully committed to the purpose of carrying out a ministry of healing as taught by Jesus Christ. It is this Christ-like spirit that has led patients such as Helen Keller to write: "When I was coming out form under surgery, they treated me with fine love, and I could feel it. I have been in places where it didn't matter how many times you pressed the call button, you would just lie there and wait, but the nurses at Baptist Hospital always came right away. If I ever have to go back to a hospital, this is where I would come."

Baptist churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual ingathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1996 the Mother's Day Offering amounted to $456,497.00 It was used exclusively to help patients who had little or no health care insurance or other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From this past year's offering, over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Baptist churches. May God bless all those who gave so generously.

During the year the Chaplains and Staff of the Pastoral Care Department provide worship services in Davis Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday for patients and family members. The Pastoral Care Department staff supervised 65 students during the year. They made more than 50,000 ministry contracts, an increase of 10% over the previous year.

CareNet, Inc. continues to grow. There are now 13 counseling centers located in strategic areas across the state. During the year these centers will provide over 26,000 hours of counseling.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc., continues to expand its assistance to ministers and churches. Programs and assistance offered to churches include Consultants and Intentional Interims working with churches as they face the challenges of today. The Young Leader's Program helps in leadership development, and the Clergy Wellness Program, Turning Point, is designed to foster a holistic growth-approach to the individual minister's life calling.

In April, the J.Paul. Sticht Center on Aging and Rehabilitation opened the doors of a new 240,000 square foot state-of-the-arts building. Here services are provided to older adults. These services include a geriatric assessment clinic, Acute Care for the Elderly clinic, Alzheimer's disease and memory disorders clinic, osteoporosis clinic, geriatric gynecology clinic, a women's health center, education services, and a legal clinic for seniors. It houses a true "Day Hospital" for seniors – the first in the state – which provides therapy, examinations and rehabilitation as day-time treatment, eliminating costly overnight stays.

On November 4, 1996, the doors were opened to The Medical Center's new CompRehab Center. The 70,000 square-foot building houses a full spectrum of physical rehabilitation and related clinical services, including a Sports Medicine Center, Foot and Ankle Center, The Hand Center, Outpatient Physical Therapy Center, Spine Center, and the Neurorehabilitation Center.

The Medical Center has the only designated Level I trauma center in

Northwest North Carolina. In the trauma center our goal is for the patient to be in an operating room 10 minutes after arriving at the Emergency Department. Surgeons, anesthesiologists and staff remain on duty 24 hours a day to handle such emergencies.

According to a report in the February issue of *Applied Clinical Trials,* Bowman Gray School of Medicine ranked in the top 10 U.S. clinical research institutions.

QualChoice – established by The Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated, The Bowman School of Medicine, and Wake Forest University, this managed care plan provides quality health care and patient physician choice. QualChoice is now able to offer coverage to ministers and church staffs.

You can learn more about The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated by checking us out on our Web site at: http://www.bgsm.edu. Here you can find helpful information about nutrition, research, and the division of Pastoral Care.

Health On-Call – Need a physician or answers to questions about health topics? Dial (800) 446-2255. A registered nurse will take your call and help you select the right physician, answer your questions, provide information or mail printed material to you.

Assistance and information can be obtained by contacting one of our helpful and courteous switchboard operators at (910) 716-2011.

In the midst of changing health-care norms, we will not deviate from the mission entrusted to us by the Baptist people of North Carolina. We stand fully committed to excellence and compassion, and remain visionary as we face the demands of the health care market. Under the providence of God, we will continue to find the ways and means to be successful without compromise.

Respectfully submitted,
Len B. Preslar, Jr., President

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

These are "watershed years" for Baptists! Analysts almost daily remind us that the radical changes in our society and the erosion of so much that has been precious to us in our religious life is creating a time of major "transition" as we Baptists and other church groups face the 21st century.

The Biblical Recorder tries to tell the whole story with a focus on the many positive things people are doing in their churches and world missions, along with the crucial issues which cannot be concealed and ignored if we honor our heritage from yesterday and fulfill our mission for tomorrow.

There is no way to address these issues without correct and reliable information. The Biblical Recorder was born and continues to serve for that purpose. In the 164 years of state Baptist papers in North Carolina, never was the Recorder more needed than now for people to have the truth.

People are reading less than any time in recent history at the very time there is an increased number of publications and periodicals. It is true of secular publications, it is true of wholesome books from respected libraries, it is true of religious publications. We live in an electronic age, what some have described

as an " information glut."

An informed Baptist is a better Baptist; no democracy, including our local churches can survive long without an informed, involved constituency which makes decisions based upon accurate information from reliable sources.

The Biblical Recorder should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina. Your support as a subscriber and reader, coupled with your encouragement to others, will enable the paper to better serve the constituency with accurate and helpful information.

In order to save churches large amounts of money and to increase the readership of the Recorder, Church News Service (CNS) was launched in 1990. This system lets any congregation have their church news incorporated into the Biblical Recorder which saves staff time, postage and printing costs. Usually, for less than what it costs to produce the church newsletter, CNS gives the entire Baptist communication package to each family in the congregation. Recent and anticipated increases in costs makes CNS a greater value now than ever before.

The paper deliberately focuses more attention on North Carolina Baptists with news, features and inspirational articles which will encourage individuals and churches in their witness and ministry. One sure way to conquer problems and overcome the barriers to effective witness and ministry is to have the facts, know the issues and be adequately informed.

That is why the Recorder was born; that is why it serves today. For more information on how your church can subscribe or use CNS, contact: The Biblical Recorder, 232 West Millbrook Road, Raleigh, NC 27609. Phone number (919) 847-2127.

Respectfully sumbitted,
R.G. Puckett, Editor

BAPTIST FOUNDATION

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in generating endowment to enhance their permanent financial support. The uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased individual collective financial support. The Baptist Foundation is committed to assisting individual church members through creative stewardship methods to provide permanent financial undergirding of these ministries.

As of December 31, 1996, the Foundation held $60,892,220 under management. In 1996, $2,600,680 was distributed to Baptist work and $1,259,082 was distributed to individuals for a total distribution of $3,859,762.

The income distributions for the entire 77-year history of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation totals $10,932,764 income paid to individuals and $16,059,259 to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $26,992,023.

BAPTIST COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

1996 Total enrollments (Regular and Summer School): 24,125
Graduates: 4,119 Faculty: 1,456 Administration: 161
Church-related Vocations Students: 526

Campbell University
- Opened January 5, 1887 as Buies' Creek Academy.
- Became Buies' Creek Junior College, August 21, 1924.
- Authorized by Baptist State Convention to become Campbell College, December 17, 1926.
- Began a senior college program with the junior class in 1961.
- School of Law founded in 1976.
- Graduate program in Education launched in 1977; in Business, 1978.
- Became Campbell University on June 6, 1976. School of Pharmacy and School of Education founded in 1985.
- School of Divinity founded in 1995.

Norman A. Wiggins, President

Chowan College
- Founded and opened for students as Chowan Female Institute, October 11, 1848.
- First called Chowan Female Collegiate Institute in 1851.
- First called Chowan Baptist Female Institute in 1868.
- Became Chowan College on May 17, 1910.
- Became coeducational senior college, 1931.
- Changed to a junior college, September, 1937.
- Changed to senior college status, Fall, 1992.

Stanley G. Lott, President

Gardner-Webb University
- First chartered as Boiling Springs High School, December 2, 1905.
- Opened as Boiling Springs Junior College, September 3, 1928.
- Named changed and new charter granted to Gardner-Webb Junior College, Inc., June, 1942.
- Charter amended in conformity to the Constitution of the NC Baptist State Convention, November, 1946.
- Became a fully accredited senior college December 1, 1971.
- Became Gardner-Webb University on January 1, 1993, and opened School of Divinity, Fall, 1993.

M. Christopher White, President

Mars Hill College
- First commencement as French Broad Baptist Institute, July 4, 1856.
- Chartered as Mars Hill College, February 16, 1859.
- Opened as Mars Hill Junior College, August 14, 1922.

- Began a senior college program in 1962.

A. Max Lennon, President

Meredith College

- Incorporated as Baptist Female University of NC, February 27, 1891.
- Opened for students, September 27, 1899.
- Became Baptist University for Women by Legislative enactment, January 20, 1905.
- Became Meredith College by Legislative enactment, January 24, 1911.

John E. Weems, President

(Meredith College has formally requested a new relationship with the Baptist State Convention, patterned after the one with Wake Forest University. The matter will be voted upon during the November 11-12, 1997 Convention.

Wingate University

- Authorized as Wingate School of Union Baptist Association, 1895. Opened 1896; chartered 1897.
- Became a junior college in 1923.
- Baptist State Convention assumed sponsorship; withdrew in 1930 and returned Wingate College to support by Union and other associations.
- Trustees first appointed by N.C. Baptist State Convention in 1949.
- Became a senior college in 1977.
- Began offering graduate work in 1985.
- Became Wingate University in 1995.

Jerry E. McGee, President

Wake Forest University

- Opened as Wake Forest Institute, February 3, 1834.
- Chartered as Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, December 28, 1838.
- Bowman Gray Medical School of Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, officially opened July 1, 1941; first class September 10, 1941.
- Wake Forest College authorized by special session of Convention meeting in Greensboro, July 30, 1946, to move to Winston-Salem.
- First session in Winston-Salem began with the summer term, June 18, 1956; Wake Forest College became a university, June 12, 1967.
- Baptist State Convention and Wake Forest University established a new relationship on November 11, 1986 as described in the Convention's Constitution, Article XIV.

Thomas K. Hearn, Jr., President

One of the greatest strengths of a Baptist college is the freedom for persons in leadership to demonstrate and espouse the Christian faith. Faculty members are not only free to do so, but are also encouraged to share their faith and to relate that faith to the academic discipline and the personal needs of the students.

Baptist colleges and universities are committed to the belief that an

educational pilgrimage is not experienced fully unless one's intellectual growth is accompanied by spiritual growth.

Write to the Baptist college or university of your choice for more information. Or write to Council on Christian Higher Education, Baptist State Convention of NC, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107.

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES

Our February Offering this year was the strongest yet. Gifts through the Cooperative Program have come to us above the norm. Thank you for making it possible for us to make this year "The Best of Times" for so many North Carolina Baptist Older Adults.

New Places

Cliffwood Retirement Community, Fayetteville

Opening in early 1999, the Cliffwood Retirement Community is designed to meet the needs of middle income Older Adults. It will offer residents a continuum of care ranging from Independent Living and Assisted Living options to nursing care.

A New Retirement Community, Concord

Design work for a new continuing care retirement community in the Concord area has begun with ground breaking expected in the spring of 1998.

New Programs

Home and Community Based Programs

The Solarium Programs for Older Adults suffering from dementia related disorders are well established in the Prince Nursing Center at Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem and in the Rickman Nursing Center at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville.

A new home and community based program offering respite care to Older Adults in the Asheville area began this year. This service provides safe, structured, creative enrichment for seniors diagnosed with dementia-related disorders such as Alzheimer's disease, and provides relief for families giving in-home care to these dear ones.

New People

Winston-Salem, Albemarle, Hamilton and Asheville

Margaret Almond has joined the Executive Management Group as Vice-President for Development.

Tammy Harwood brings nursing and management skills to the position of Home Manager and Administrator at the Taylor House in Albemarle.

Paulette Richmond is completing a year of service as Home Manager/Administrator at The Hamilton Baptist Home in Hamilton.

Edgar Ferrell, retired pastor of Black Mountain First Baptist, now serves as

Chaplain at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville.

Calvin Knight serves as Chaplain at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem.

We send this report with our gratitude for your prayers and gifts enabling us to make life for Baptist Older Adults...The Best of Times!

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Stillerman

WMU

The theme of "Hand in Hand" and the watchword, "For we are partners working together for God, and you are God's field. You are also God's building," (I Cor. 3:9 TEV) gave inspiration for the year's work.

We walked "Hand in Hand" as we observed Baptist Women's Day of Prayer on November 4, 1996. Hosting was Pine Branch as we came together to "Celebrate the Joy of Christ" through prayer and Bible study. Twenty-four women, representing six churches, were present. An offering of $122.15 was sent to the Women's Department of Baptist World Alliance to be used on projects in many different countries. Personal prayer requests were received and the officers committed themselves to pray for each request.

Project HELP: Child Advocacy was ongoing throughout the year. Each church chose their areas of work. Some individuals tutor children or help in local schools. Others joined in prayer for each child in their church. Help was given in the form of clothes and toys for the children staying at Safe Place. Tuition was paid to send a child (with a parent in prison) to Camp Angel Tree at Mundo Vista.

Two other smaller projects were completed. We joined with associations across the state to put together 1400 Christmas boxes for women inmates in our state prison. Deodorant was our item and these were delivered to Baptist State Headquarters in Cary.

Campbell Soup labels are being collected for California missionary Debbie Wohler to purchase a much needed van. Over 1500 labels have been received so far and will be mailed to her in September.

WMU Focus Week was observed in February by a number of churches. Irma Duke, our North Carolina Executive WMU Director at Cary, presented a challenge to First Baptist Church.

The annual WMU Celebration was held April 21, 1997, at First Baptist Church. "Hand In Hand" we came to "Celebrate the Child." Seventy-one people representing ten churches were present to see our church WMU directors honored with a small gift for their hard work. Nine directors were present.

Former missionary, Dianne Daniels, gave an inspiring, thought-provoking, and humorous message to those present. Special music, led and sung by Debbie Ford, was entertaining and beautiful. Food and fellowship followed the service

and business session.

For the first time in many years, we gave a gift to Camp Mundo Vista. Seventy dollars were sent to help with current construction.

Six women attended the "Missions Extravaganza" at Ridgecrest. The program was diverse and helpful as well as inspirational.

This year has been a blessed one in so many ways, but we cannot rest on our present accomplishments. Prayers have been answered in filling the officer requirements for the 1997-98 year. Four new officers have offered to serve. As we look forward, will you "Come With Me" as we work on Project HELP: Cultural Diversity. There is much to do. Please continue in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Warren

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

At the sound of a car in his grandmother's carport, Jason looked out the window, and was shocked to see his mother striding toward the house.

She was angry, and Jason shouted, "Lordy, it's momma," as he ran to the back bedroom to call the police.

Just 12 years old, Jason had lived in seven foster care homes and with his grandmother on and off since his father died seven years earlier. His mother's addictions cost her custody of her only son. For whatever reason, tonight she wanted him back.

Out of control, Jason's mother broke open the door and kicked grandmother to the floor. She grabbed her by the hair and "slung me around by the hair of my head," grandmother says, remembering.

Mother shouted for Jason to come out of hiding, and threatened to kill his grandmother. She grabbed a bottle, broke it, and held the jagged edge to grandma's throat, shouting that she would kill her if Jason didn't come out of hiding.

Just then Jason's aunt arrived from a house next door, and held his mother's arms until the police arrived.

Six years later, grandmother beams with pride for Jason, who overcame that tragic traumatic start in life. Jason garnered academic, athletic and leadership honors in a steady
stream at Tuscola High School in Haywood County and is starting college in August, 1997 as a freshman at The Citadel.

At Tuscola, he was captain and MVP of the track and cross country teams and a conference champion, vice-president for his senior class, Cadet Colonel and ROTC commander in a group of 115 cadets, in National Honor Society, in the top 10 percent of his class, attended leadership events at Western Carolina University and Washington, D.C., and was a peer helper and peer counselor.

At The Citadel he will study political science with a minor in military history and international affairs. He wants a military career as a fighter pilot, then to enter politics after retirement.

Jason credits Broyhill Home, his home since that traumatic night in his grandma's house.

"All the accomplishments of my life have been made possible by Baptist Children's Homes," Jason said at his final awards banquet at Broyhill Home, where he received top honors for the second year.

"Broyhill has made me into a young man with a future, who knows now where he is going and what he wants to do. They've opened the doors to enable me to do that."

As for grandmother, who was desperate to find a place for Jason after the incident in her house, she prays "every night and I thank God every night that we have a place like Broyhill Home and Baptist Children's Homes."

Jason's story is repeated hundreds of times each year at Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Not all are as dramatic but every one tells of a young person and a family at the end of an unraveling rope, and of BCH tying the knot in that rope and helping them to hold on.

At four residential campuses, six emergency care cottages, two homes for behaviorally troubled girls, a maternity home, a home for teenage mothers and their babies, therapeutic camping and model day care, 1,398 young people found help in troubled times last year.

During the past year BCH received $1.5 million through the Cooperative Program, and $724,000 through the Thanksgiving Offering. Total church gifts of $3.05 million comprised 25 percent of the BCH budget.

In June, 1997 Baptist Children's Homes successfully completed the $10.1 million "Light Their Way" Campaign to raise money for operations, capital needs and endowment. Two major priorities of the campaign will be completed in early 1998; the Winifred Lindsay Education/Administrative Center at Odum Home In Pembroke, and the John D. and Amelia W. Johnson Cottage at Mills Home. A third priority, the Hubert M Craig Lodge at Cameron Boys Camp, has been completed.

A new video, "Families Under Construction" is available to promote the 1997 Thanksgiving offering, which has a statewide goal of $750,000, the largest ever.

A model program for family preservation has been initiated at Mills Home in Thomasville. Two social workers are on staff to work intensively with families which are at risk of being separated, but who, with help, can overcome their issues and stay together.

Thomasville Area Director, Bill Scarlett, also is initiating ways for churches and their members to be directly involved on campus – from tutoring, to cooking, to spending early evenings giving personal attention to residents to free staff for more intensive counseling.

Baptist Children's Homes' work was featured in November on "The 700 Club" and in December on CNN. BCH also adopted a missions statement this year which is "helping hurting children, healing broken families."

Wherever children are hurting and families are strained, Baptist Children's Homes strives to heal.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael C. Blackwell, President James D. Goldston, Trustee Chair

INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD

The ground is rocky, rough hewn, baked by equatorial sun. Elephants and marauding bands have pounded this ground for thousands of years. Hardly the place where anything might take root, let alone grow and prosper. Yet, as the harvest season approaches, the workers pause to survey the fields. They see the first fruits of their efforts.

God called out Martha and Bruce Schmidt as laborers and sent them into the fields. Now the Karamojong are coming to personal faith in Jesus Christ by the scores.

Just a few years ago, the idea of sowing, watering and harvesting in such places as Karamojo, Turkmenistan, Nepal and the Amazon seemed as remote for Southern Baptists as the locations themselves. But viewing the world as God does shows its people in a whole new light. The boundaries between nations, drawn during conferences of world superpowers in the late 19th century, begin to blur. Distinct ethno-linguistic groups that show some cultural consistency quickly come into focus. Many of these people groups cannot be contained by geographic boundaries, either. In search of freedom from persecution, better living conditions, or escape from the tyranny of an oppressor, many of these groups migrate freely across artificial lines. More than 6,000 of these distinct ethno-linguistic groups exist. Easily, one-third of these groups have never heard the good news of Jesus Christ, nor had an opportunity to respond to the gospel in their own language. By placing one missionary couple with each group, Southern Baptists could bring a witness to these unreached groups of The Last Frontier. But our international missions force would have to double the number of workers now serving through the International Mission Board (formerly the Foreign Mission Board).

The harvest is truly plentiful, but the workers are few.

Still, Christ's command to go and make disciples of all nations is a command that no Christian can ignore. Although we are beginning to see people as culturally diverse and to glory in the differences that make us truly distinct, we need to remember that the world's lostness is the common denominator that breaks down all the differences. God, not wishing for any to perish, is preparing the ground for His seed. And He is using those who are obedient in the work of planting, nurturing and harvesting.

Maybe He is calling you to go plant your life and witness among an unreached people group. Maybe He can use you to nurture prayer support in your church and break down the walls that keep people in darkness. Maybe He can use your talents as a nurse, a carpenter, a pastor, or a college student during a volunteer mission project to help bring in the harvest. Maybe these pages will help you discover God's call for your life.

We pray that you will be blessed by the exciting news of what God is doing around the world and how He is using Southern Baptist to accomplish His purpose. If we are obedient, we can look forward to that day when we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Rankin, President

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD

Southern Baptists may be at the most strategic time of our denomination's 152-year history. With 15 million members in more than 40,000 churches, we are entering the 21st century with more resources for evangelism than any time in the history of the world. Technological advances now make it possible to fulfill the command of Matthew 28 – spreading the gospel to every person. Creation of the North American Mission Board (formerly the Home Mission Board) is critical to that endeavor.

The primary responsibility of North American Mission Board (NAMB) is to reach the United States, Canada, the Caribbean, Guam, and American Samoa for Jesus Christ, using every appropriate means of evangelism and church planting. The resources of three former SBC agencies – the Home Mission Board, the Brotherhood Commission, and the Radio and Television Commission – were combined, creating a dynamic synergy that will propel missions into the 21st century.

NAMB leaders are committed to working closely with Baptist associations and state conventions/fellowships in serving the needs of churches as they attempt to reach people for Christ. Every activity of the new agency will be focused on meeting the needs of local churches as they share Christ with their communities.

Our home missionary force of almost 5,000 jointly supported missionaries will continue to be vital to the front line of hands-on ministry. NAMB calls on Southern Baptist to renew and strengthen their support of our missionaries by praying for them, serving alongside them as missions volunteers, and giving sacrificially to the Cooperative Program and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

The agency will support missionary and local church efforts by giving increased attention to evangelism, church planting, and evangelistic ministries in major cities, on campuses, and among every people and language group in our assigned area. Our efforts will be undergirded with national prayer support and the most technologically advanced media resources available.

Other resources include:

- 2,500 SBC-endorsed chaplains
- 82,000 volunteers, including 2,200 two-year Mission Service Corps volunteers
- provides resources for missions education
- coordinates multi-state disaster relief response.

Amidst the many changes, we know many things will not change. God is in control. The primary mission of NAMB will be to evangelize and congregationalize our nation. And our home missionaries will depend on the intercessory prayers and sacrificial giving of Southern Baptists.

STATE MISSIONS

Most of the North Carolina Missions Offering supports projects in the 80 associations (covering all 100 counties) across North Carolina. Many North

Carolina Missions Offering projects are actually association/state missions programs receiving money and leadership support from both the Baptist State Convention and local associations.

For example, the Mitchell Association received approximately 10 percent of the 1996 special offering collected in the association. Last year (1996), $1,190.64 of the $12,025.72 collected from 10 of the association's 35 churches was sent back to the association.

In addition to the money sent directly to the association, $278.62 was used to sponsor a Bivocational Ministries event.

In 1996, the North Carolina Missions Offering also supported North Carolina WMU, Baptist Men (Brotherhood), and many of the Missions Division's vital ministries. The number of individuals in the Mitchell Association who participated in these groups in 1996 includes:

- 3 people to North Carolina's WMU Associational Leadership Team Training
- 23 people participated in Seminary Extension.

Churches giving to the 1996 special offering were Altapass, Bakersville, Bear Creek, Beaver Creek, Berry Chapel, Central, Grassy Creek, Lily Branch, McKinney Cove and Spruce Pine, First.

The mission needs in North Carolina are substantial. Did you know that in North Carolina there are:

- Over 7.3 million residents
- Over 70,000 children with one or more parent in prison
- More than 50 different language groups
- Nearly 200 children infected with the AIDS virus
- Over 8 million tourists who visit our state
- Over 70,000 seasonal farm workers
- Over 4.5 million people affected by recent disasters
- Over 3.5 million unchurched people
- The North Carolina Baptist Disaster Relief Team served more than 350,000 meals.

Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions
September 14-21, 1997
Goal: $2.1 million
NC Missions Prayer Line: 1-800-395-5102, ext. 800

ANNUITY BOARD

Are you one of those people who intends to let retirement just "happen?" Have you started thinking about what you want to do when you retire and how much money it will cost you do it? If you wait until retirement to start asking these questions, you may not like the answers. The sooner you take action to fund your retirement, the better.

There are many ways to invest for retirement. Retirement planning experts

estimate that most people will need at least 75 percent of their pre-retirement income to maintain a comparable retirement life-style. The more you earn, the lower the percentage of income replaced by the Social Security benefit. Social Security is intended to supplement personal retirement income.

Is your personal retirement-planning strategy adequate to help you achieve the recommended retirement income goal?

Your Annuity Board retirement plan – with features such as tax-deferral, possible matching contributions, competitive investments and new products and services – is a great way to provide the bulk of your retirement income.

Check your latest Member Benefit Statement to determine whether your current contributions will build enough to give you an adequate income.

The Annuity Board introduced a new investment structure on January 1, 1997. It includes 13 new fund investment options. To help you select an investment strategy that's appropriate for you, the Annuity Board offers the LifePoints investment education program. LifePoints helps you select an investment strategy that you feel is right for you. The program's ultimate objective is to help you act on what you learn. The LifePoints investment education program is for everyone who participates in an Annuity Board retirement plan. It is based on three profiles – Beginnings, the Midway and Transitions. The "life points" represents stages of retirement planning.

You may call the Annuity Board through a toll-free number – 1-800-262-0511. You have automated 24-hour access to such information as retirement plan investment descriptions and performances, your retirement plan account balance, the current annuity funding rate and insurance plan descriptions. The value of Annuity Board funds now is calculated daily to account for changes in the stock and fixed-income markets. Daily valuation allows the Annuity Board to offer up-to-date account information, fund performance and/or net asset value (NAV) information, faster processing of transfer requests, timely investment of contributions, and transaction processing.

Your Annuity Board plan is a powerful investment tool, but you have to put it to work. Start soon. The sooner you start, the more time your money has to grow and compound.

Pay yourself first. Pay your retirement account as you would a monthly bill. Automatic salary reduction makes it easy.

Save what you can. How much you save depends on your finances, but contribute as much as you can afford. All the money in your plan – personal contributions, employer and Baptist state convention contributions (if you are eligible), and earnings – grow tax-deferral and ensure you receive any employer and/or state convention matching contributions available to you.

Stick with it. Investing a little every month uninterrupted for the long haul can pay tremendous dividends in compound growth.

WORLD HUNGER

Hunger is a curious thing: at first it is with you all the time, waking and sleeping and in your dreams – you scheme, you plan, you steal – not for relish or some delightful delicacies – but just for a crust of bread, a bit of rice, a small morsel left on someone's plate.

Every three seconds somewhere in our world a child dies from hunger or a hunger-related disease. Every single day more than 35,000 people die as a result of hunger and starvation.

The need seems so overwhelming, but as Southern Baptist we are involved in World Hunger relief. One hundred percent of all hunger funds received go directly to hunger causes. Together, you and I are making a difference. We are not only feeding the hungry, we are also teaching the hungry skills that will allow them to feed themselves. For example, missionary Steve Gillette in Ethiopia reports that a seven-year development project carried out with relief funds was successful. The project made available drinkable water for 39,344 residents in 35 rural villages. Approximately 10,976 people were fed in emergency feeding programs, and many farmers are now growing crops that provide better nutrition. All this established an atmosphere in which 11 churches were started!

In India, pastors' wives were trained in primary health care. The Hindus see Christians as "untouchable," but a Hindu mother, desperate for her sick baby's life, called for one of these health care missionaries. Because of this training program, many entire Hindu villages are now open to Christians and 30 Hindu families have been converted. God opened a wide door of opportunity.

In Argentina, Operation Milk will distribute powdered milk to children up to six years of age and to expectant mothers. In Venezuela El Milagro Preschool conducts a feeding program that will give 90 children, ages three to eight, two balanced meals per day, five days per week. In Bosnia, a hunger relief project will provide more than 5,500 two-person food parcels to be distributed in four central locations. In North Brazil, a Wells of Hope project will provide usable water resources for a minimum of 100 rural townships in the drought-stricken interior. We are responding to the victims of flooding in North Korea by providing food assistance to sustain an area of approximately 50,000 people. The Baptist Rural Development Model is providing milk goats, cattle, sheep, ducks, and gardening seed to the relocated people of Indonesia.

These projects are just a part of holistic response, both spiritual and physical, designed to help people help themselves rather than become dependent upon outside resources. Many times, ministry to the whole person results in a new body of believers in the community that has been helped.

The Bible says the Lord smiles upon those who consider the poor. Jesus Himself sought to win the souls of the lost, but look how many times He touched the hurting.

For more information, contact the Human Needs Ministries Office of the International Mission Board (formerly Foreign Mission Board). Find out how you and your church can be a part of fighting hunger.

Remember to observe World Hunger Day on Sunday, October 12, 1997.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program was born in 1925 in Memphis, Tennessee, during one of the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention. This brought order when looking for a better way to finance the spreading of the Gospel. Sometimes church members may get the idea that with nearly 37,000 Southern Baptist churches, the amount given by their own church through the Cooperative Program is not really important. It may even seem small. Of course, nothing could be further from the truth. It takes all of our churches to accomplish the tremendous mission which our Lord has placed in our hands. A church that gives on a percentage basis through the Cooperative Program encourages by example good stewardship among its members.

Southern Baptists made a covenant with each other at the 1976 Southern Baptist Convention that "every person in the world shall have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Christ by the year 2000." As we approach the twenty-first century, we are working harder than ever at home and abroad to reach that goal. Hundreds of North American and international missionaries, thanks to Cooperative Program dollars, live in every corner of the globe sharing the love of Christ with people who have never heard His Word. And those of us at home, although we have not chosen missions as a career, have a vital part in this ministry as well. We must continually pray, give, and share God's love with others as we go about our daily routines.

The Cooperative Program theme for 1997-98 is "Up Close and Personal." Church members will be encouraged to become personally involved in the life of at least one missionary. As church members begin to see firsthand the work of Cooperative Program dollars and better understand the total missions force supported through cooperative giving, they will be challenged to increase mission support through the Cooperative Program.

Southern Baptists' hands and hearts are locked together through the Cooperative Program in getting the word out about what happened in Bethlehem and Jerusalem which can make a difference in this damaged and devastated world. You don't give <u>to</u> the Cooperative Program – you give <u>through</u> it. It is not a catch basin for Southern Baptist money, it is a conduit for the ministry of Jesus Christ.

The major emphasis on the Cooperative Program is Cooperative Program Day in your church, scheduled for April 19, 1998.

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

According to Dr. James Kennedy of Coral Ridge Ministries, approximately 6 million crimes are committed in the United States annually. Murder arrests of teens are up 92 percent since 1985; the number of 13 to 15 year-olds arrested for murder nearly doubled between 1982 and 1992; 1.6 million cars are stolen each year; America spends $39 billion a year on police protection, $29 billion on

prisons and $10 billion on legal and judicial costs for criminal cases; drunk drivers cost us $110 billion a year, and drug abuse costs $ 440 billion a year. With these alarming statistics, the Christian Action League of North Carolina is constantly working to restore moral and biblical principles to our state and nation through the legislative process and the public education system and by assisting communities in our state with local battles for civic and moral righteousness.

Christian Values:

It was the pleasure of the Christian Action League to sponsor the Second-Annual Christian Heritage Week in North Carolina, March 16-22. The League encouraged schools, churches and communities to recognize, commemorate and learn about the Christian heritage and history of our nation. We mailed information about a League sponsored essay contest to be written on America's Christian Heritage to all high schools in the state and hosted an awards ceremony and banquet for the top three state winners of that contest in Raleigh.

We lobbied for and promoted SB 442, The American History Act. A bill that would allow public school teachers to read or display historical documents even though they contain religious references. This bill passed the House and is now in a conference committee.

The League continued in 1997 to participate in a project with the American Rights Coalition to distribute copies of the Ten Commandments throughout North Carolina. To date, we have distributed approximately 10,000 copies of these prints.

We promoted Sanctity of Human Life Sunday in our January newsletter that reaches over 22,000 people.

We offered copies of Dr. Billy Graham's speech to the May 5, 1997, Joint Session of the General Assembly on audio cassette through our newsletter. Dr. Graham was being honored for his tremendous worldwide contributions to religion, morality, racial equality and family.

We promoted and worked for the passage of HB 511, Evolution Not Taught as Fact.

Lottery:

Lottery proponents felt this was the year to bring a state-sponsored lottery to North Carolina. The League, through letters, e-mail and faxes, kept its members updated on lottery information and encouraged its members to contact their legislators. The lawmakers received a barrage of letters and calls from across the state saying that the lottery was a bad bet for North Carolina. The League will continue to monitor this issue as the session nears an end, but as of today, the lottery seems to have been defeated for another session.

Sex Education:

We worked with other Christian and conservative groups to see that the Federal mandate for Abstinence Until Marriage education was implemented in this state.

Abortion:

The League lobbied for and encouraged its members through Legislative Alerts to write in support of HB 303 and SB 536 (Ban Partial Birth Abortion), HB 594 (Fetus Death from Criminal Act) and HB 536 (Abortion/Woman's Right to Know). We offered the video "Reversing Roe" through our newsletter. This video tells the story of Norma McCorvey of the infamous Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court case who after 25-years and 35 million aborted babies tells of her transformation from an abortion industry pawn to a pro-life Christian.

Homosexuality:

We offered the powerful and emotional video of Michael Johnston "On Wings Like Eagles." This video tells of Michael's 11 years in the homosexual lifestyle and his struggle between right and wrong and about forgiveness and grace. Michael is founder of Kerusso Ministries, an organization to help others struggling with this sin.

Alcohol:

We worked with communities in helping them set up an organization to combat liquor referenda. Lobbied against SB 838 (ABC Tourism Resorts Permits); SB 837 (Sports Club ABC Permits) and SB 447 (Lumberton Economic Development District), bills that allowed alcohol sales without the vote of local citizens. Encouraged our members to call and write legislators to ask them to vote against these bills.

Pornography:

We lobbied for SB 452 (Local Regulation of Adult Establishments) and notified our members to contact their legislators and encourage them to vote for this legislation that would give local governments more control in regulating these establishments.

Respectfully submitted,
Johnny R. Henderson, Executive Director
Joe S. Lennon, President

BIBLE DRILLS

Our associational Bible Drills are a highlight of our associational year. We are very proud of each participant in Children's Bible Drill and in Youth Bible Drill. We had approximately 55 children and youth who participated at the associational level this year. These children and youth are to be commended for their hard work. If your church doesn't participate in this event we encourage you to take part next year.

We would like to give a heartfelt "thanks" to each leader and parent who supported these participants and sacrificed their time to help.

The following children participated in the 1997 Associational Children's Bible

Drill. An asterisk (*) indicates a three-year winner.

Bear Creek: Patrick Willis

Berry Chapel: Jordan Burleson, *Logan Burleson, *Ashley Gentry, Leanna Huffman, *Sarah Stafford, Lacey Queen, Bryant Greene

Black Mountain: Natalie Hollifield, Adam Williams, Dalton Glenn

Chestnut Grove: Cassie Cooke, Kyle Lyons

First Baptist: Daniel Buchanan, *Jeffery Harding, Aaron Snyder, Chase Thomas

Freedom: *Danielle Dayton, *Ashley Parsons, Robert Woody, Megan Grindstaff

Ledger: Aaron Buchanan, Cindy West, Meagan Harkey

Pine Branch: *Daniel Foulk, Mitchell Pittman, Cody Phillips, Adrian Hise, Danielle Moore, *Jennifer Riddle

Roan Mountain: *Darren Gardner, Rebecca Gardner, *Kegan Silver

Snow Hill: Megan Grindstaff, Holly Silvers

The following youth participated in the 1997 Associational Youth Bible Drill. A double asterisk (**) indicates a six year winner.

Berry Chapel: **Justin Hollifield, Shannon Jones, Ashley Winters

Black Mountain: Shanna Williams

Chestnut Grove: **Lacy Cuthbertson, Karen Carpenter, Justin Cooke

Freedom: Dana Troutman, **Andy Bailey

Pine Branch: Allison Hise, Deidre Burleson, Candace Phillips, John Sullins, Dustin Frye

Roan Mountain: Kristen Silver

Snow Hill: Harlos Silvers, Julia Wynkoop

A special "congratulations" to our six-year participants. This is an outstanding accomplishment.

We had a participant in the Speakers' Tournament this year. This is open to youth in grades 10-12. Aleasha Winters from Berry Chapel was our only participant. Her speech was titled, *"Stepping Out In Faith."*

Aleasha won the regional Speakers' Tournament at Valdese on April 18. She then went on to win the State Speakers' Tournament in Salisbury on Saturday, May 3. She got to spend a week at Ridgecrest in July, all expenses paid. We are very proud of Aleasha. We thank her for representing us so well.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

Webster's dictionary defines an association as "an organization of persons having common interests." This describes the ministry of Mitchell Baptist Association perfectly. We are thirty-five churches on mission for Christ where we are.

The ministries of our association are many and varied. In fact there are way too many to list in this short report, so I will just briefly mention a few of the accomplishments of the past year.

We have attempted to minister in all areas of need and to all people. I feel that we were successful in most of our efforts.

Once again our association had a very successful Fall Festival of Sunday School in September. The attendance was off, but the leaders did a wonderful job. Avery and Mitchell Associations now have a full slate of "State-Certified" Sunday School workers with the exception of pre-school.

We participated once again in the Christmas gifts for Broyhill Children's Home, and we also had a very well attended Senior Adult Rally in May.

We continue to work closely with the Hispanic Ministry to gain much needed financial support from our state convention. We are also actively involved in the ministry of the Blue Ridge Youth Center.

This past year our association has collected Bibles for the Atlanta mission, employed a summer student missionary, conducted a VBS clinic, Backyard Bible Clubs, and a summer campground ministry on Friday nights. We worked with our state convention to get a Baptist Student Union started at Mayland Community College, added a "Prophet's Chamber" to the associational office and had one of the most successful Youth Crusades that I have ever seen.

I am sorry to report that not everything has gone as I would have liked. For some reason we cannot generate any interest in the South Africa Mission Partnership and two mission trips had to be cancelled because no one would participate. One of these trips involved flood relief in Kentucky and the other was in West Virginia. The other disappointment was the decline in associational mission giving. Our association can only accomplish what the funding allows. Less money means less ministry.

The statistics for our association look very good this year, especially in baptisms. We had a tremendous increase over last year.

We must praise our Lord for the success of this past year. May we continue to follow His leadership and put Him first in our efforts. If we do, our association can only do good things. God bless you all!

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Whetstine

OUR BELOVED DEAD

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SPRING CREEK: June Bryant, Rt. 2, Box 95, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Eunice Riddle, 152 Phillips Lane, Spruce Pine
TOECANE: Sandra Putman, Rt. 4, Box 12, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: Angie Burleson, 349A White Oak Rd., Bakersville

CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS

ALTAPASS: Joe Biddix, Rt. 3, Box 250, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Kenny Miller, 133 NC 226 S., Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK: Phillip Henline, 127 Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Avery Carpenter, 134 Hill St., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: John Burleson, Rt. 3, Box 336A, Newland
BIG ROCK CREEK: Sam Garland, Rt. 1, Box 159, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Joe Howell, Rt. 1, Box 375, Spruce Pine
CALVARY: Jack Staton, P.O. Box 187, Bakersville
CENTRAL: John Wellborn, 210 Martha Drive, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Frank Hollifield, P.O. Box 369, Little Switzerland
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Ted Sparks, Rt. 1, Box 365, Spruce Pine
FORK MOUNTAIN: Ivan Greene, P.O. Box 17, Bakersville
FREEDOM: Melvin Dellinger, 302 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Thomas Currie, Jr., P.O. Box 152, Weaverville
LEDGER: Reed Burleson, 125 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Max Cabe, Rt. 1, Box 154, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Box 147-A, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 91-C, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Arthur Baker, P.O. Box 107, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Clarence Fleet Hensley, 101 Mine Creek Rd., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Avery Buchanan, 106 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Gary Harrell, Rt. 1, Box 168A, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH: James Pittman, Rt. 1, Box 11, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: David Dale, P.O. Box 648, Bakersville
SILVER CHAPEL: Fred L. Howell, Rt. 3, Box 94, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Lewis Turbyfill, 155 Wing Rd., Bakersville
SPRING CREEK: Willard Moffitt, Rt. 2, Box 316, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Don Warren, 110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine
TOECANE: George Byrd, Route 4, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: Jim McMahan, 357 White Oak Rd., Bakersville

PIANISTS

ALTAPASS: Monica Henley, Rt. 3, Box 275, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Pam Pittman, 127 School Rd., Spruce Pine
BEAVER CREEK: Geneva Wilson, 133 Phillips Lane, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL: Lenise Ramsey, Rt. 1, Box 799, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE: Barbara Brummitt, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK: Angie Honeycutt, Rt. 1, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Terri Williams, P.O. Box 191, Little Switzerland
CALVARY: Lee Ella Cooke, 807 Cane Creek, Right, Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Sue Greene, 91 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
CENTRAL: Nancy McCall, 242 English Rd., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE: Judy Self, 3539 Brook St., Lenoir
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FORK MOUNTAIN: Carmella Thomas, Rt. 2, Box 571, Spruce Pine
FREEDOM: Shirley Smith, Rt. 3, Box 579, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Peggy Riddle, Rt. 1, Box 720, Spruce Pine
LEDGER: Deborah Ferguson, 188 Church Rd., Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL: Inez Hughes, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH: Stephanie Medford, Rt. 3, Box 327-A, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rosa Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 91-C, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE: Kay Baker, P.O. Box 219, Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Dianna Gouge, Rt. 4, Box 245, Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Roma Sparks, Rt. 1, Box 14, Spruce Pine
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ROAN MOUNTAIN: Amelia McKinney, 271 Loggy Hollow, Bakersville
SILVER CHAPEL: Glenda Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 64-A, Bakersville
SNOW HILL: Veida Ayers, 475 Young Cove Rd., Bakersville
SPRING CREEK: Alvin Ollis, Route 2, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Patty Ferguson, 237 English Rd., Spruce Pine
TOECANE: Mary Crowder, Rt. 1, Box 328, Bakersville
WHITE OAK: Susie Carpenter, 505 Rock House Creek Rd., Spruce Pine

YOUTH DIRECTORS

ALTAPASS: Mark & Wanda Norton, Beli St., Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK: Kenneth & Veronica Pitman, 212 Wing Rd., Bakersville
BERRY CHAPEL: Claudia Pittman, 469 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Beverly Hollifield, 518 Rock House Rd., Spruce Pine
CALVARY: John Stafford, 444 Young Cove Rd., Bakersville
CANE CREEK: Rhonda Robinson, 733 Cane Creek Rd., Bakersville
FREEEDOM: Jason Martin, P.O. Box 370, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK: Bobby Sanders, 223 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
LIBERTY HILL: Eric & Lisa Dellinger, Rt. 1, Box 280, Spruce Pine
McKINNEY COVE: Kandra Mooney, 417 McKinney Cove Rd., Bakersville
MINE CREEK: Renee Johnson, 141 Mine Creek Rd., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL: Melanie Slagle, 542 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Chris Renfro, P.O. Box 143, Spruce Pine
SNOW HILL: Steve Howell, Rt. 3, Box 120-A, Bakersville

ZIP CODES

Atlanta	30309
Bakersville	28705
Burnsville	28714
Cary	27512
Crossnore	28616
Dallas, TX	75201
Elizabethton, TN	37643
Fort Worth, TX	76116
Green Mountain	28740
Jonesborough, TN	37659
Jonas Ridge	28641
Linville	28646
Linville Falls	28647
Little Switzerland	28749
Marion	28752
Mars Hill	28754
Memphis, TN	38104
Micaville	28755
Nashville, TN	37234
Newland	28657
Penland	28765
Richmond, VA	23230
Spruce Pine	28777
Weaverville	28787

*HISTORICAL TABLE

DATE	PLACE	MODERATOR	CLERK	ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON
1970	Altapass/Mt. Carmel	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Forrest C. Feezor/C.B. Dickenson
1971	Silver Chapel/Cane Creek	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel/Robert E. Seatz
1972	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland/N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mountain/Pine Branch	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig/Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill/Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele/John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis/R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Creek/S.P. First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton/Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel/Beaver Creek	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps/Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Branch/Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield/Lee Ayers
1979	Snow Hill/Roan Mountain	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan/Gerold Grindstaff
1980	S.P. First/Mine Creek	Maurice Gilliam	M.W. Blanton	Jim Gore/Earl Henry
1981	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Astor Buchanan/Jim Mizell
1982	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Howard Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Stuart White/Jack Callahan
1983	Liberty Hill/Berry Chapel	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Don Stafford/Ernest Howell
1984	Bear Creek/Pine Branch	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Frank Blevins/Jay Orr
1985	Crabtree Chapel/Altapass	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	Garland Higgins/Sam Brewer
1986	Mt. Carmel/S.P. First	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	James Lankford
1987	Bear Creek/Grassy Creek	Walter Ponder	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff
1988	Berry Chapel/Roan Mountain	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Walter Ponder
1989	Liberty Hill/Bakersville	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Sibbald Lambert
1990	Bear Creek/Altapass	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Dallas Renfro
1991	Mount Carmel/Crabtree Chapel	Larry Greene	Judy Greer	Astor Buchanan/Bob McCurry
1992	Liberty Hill/Cane Creek	Charles Murrell	Judy Greer	Steve Sisk/William Whitfield
1993	Freedom/Silver Chapel	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Martin Fisher/George Gouge
1994	Pine Branch/Snow Hill	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Erby McKinney/David Troutman
1995	Bear Creek/Altapass	Dallas Renfro	Judy Greer	George Gouge/Tom Watson
1996	Beaver Creek/Roan Mountain	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff/Russell McKinney
1997	Mount Carmel/Cane Creek	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Mark McKinney/Fred Proctor

*Partial List - For complete list, consult 1995 Minutes.

STATISTICAL TABLES

MEMBER/CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

1-Total Membership
2-Resident Membership
3-TOTAL BAPTISMS
a-Baptisms Under 6
b-Baptisms Age 6-8
c-Baptisms Age 9-11
d-Baptisms Age 12-17

Congregation	County	1	2	3	3a	3b	3c	3d
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	Mitchell	311	292	7	0	0	1	2
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	Mitchell	724	609	19	0	3	10	2
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	Mitchell	263	183	5	0	0	2	2
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	Mitchell	516	441	10	0	1	2	6
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	Mitchell	201	165	4	0	0	2	0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	Mitchell	49	45	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	Mitchell	54	29	4	0	2	2	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	Mitchell	139	136	1	0	0	0	1
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	Mitchell	97	97	3	0	1	0	2
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	Mitchell	247	190	1	0	1	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	Mitchell	202	122	5	0	1	0	1
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	Yancey	216	216	5	1	0	0	1
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	Mitchell	145	79	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	Mitchell	250	250	11	0	2	2	3
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	MITCHELL	597	421	8	1	2	1	2
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	Mitchell	110	83	1	0	1	0	0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	Mitchell	422	344	6	0	3	2	1
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	Mitchell	230	176	5	0	0	1	1
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	Mitchell	59	52	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	Mitchell	137	111	5	0	2	1	1
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	Mitchell	128	108	18	0	0	3	5
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	Mitchell	411	150	3	0	0	1	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	Mitchell	40	20	2	0	0	2	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	Mitchell	552	420	6	0	1	0	3
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	Mitchell	243	180	3	0	1	1	1
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	Mitchell	160	120	4	0	0	0	1
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	Mitchell	211	208	5	0	1	2	0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	Mitchell	156	143	8	0	0	1	2
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	Mitchell	561	423	3	0	1	0	1
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	Mitchell	46	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	Mitchell	54	54	2	0	0	0	2
TOTALS		7531	5867	154	2	23	36	40

For 1996-97 Associational Year

e-Baptisms Age 18-29
f-Baptisms Age 30-59
g-Baptisms Age 60 & Up
4-Other Additions
5-New Member Training
6-Year Organized
7-Year Pastor Came

8-LOCATION CODE

	MEDIUM CITY	LARGE CITY
A-Open Country		
B-Village	E-Downtown	H-Downtown
C-Town	F-Neighborhood	I-Neighborhood
D-Small City	G-Suburbs	J-Suburbs

9-AM Worship Service Attendance
10-Church-Type Missions Started
11-Church-Type Missions Operated
12-Lost/Unchurched (Y/N)
13-Associational Giving on Percentage Basis (Y/N)
14-Intercessory Prayer Ministry (Y/N)
R/E-Racial/Ethnic Code (1-White, Non-Hispanic; 2-Black (African-American); 3-Hispanic; 4-Native American; 5-Korean; 6-Chinese; 7-Other

3e	3f	3g	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	R/E
0	4	0	8	3	1925	1987	A	125	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
3	0	1	16	6	1830	1988	A	340	0	0	N	Y	N	1
1	0	0	3	0	1906	1994	A	68	0	0	N	Y	N	1
1	0	0	17	12	1934	1991	C	180	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
2	0	0	4	0	1925	1988	A	82	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
0	0	0	1	0	1849	1983	A	39	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0	0	0	0	0	1872		A	25	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	0	0	6	0	1949	1991	A	65	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	0	0	0	0	1869	1994	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
0	0	0	2	0	1932	1996	C	90	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
2	1	0	0	0	1923	1992	A	78	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
3	0	0	8	0	1966	1996	A	62	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
0	0	0	4	0	1861	1991	A	39	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
4	0	0	9	15	1988	1989	C	150	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
2	0	0	6	6	1818	1987	C	171	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	0	0	2	0	1955	1996	A	35	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	0	0	6	6	1866	1997	A	115	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	1	2	0	0	1859	1995	A	87	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	0	0	0	0	1884	1997	A	47	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
1	0	0	0	0	1888	1992	A	65	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
4	6	0	4	0	1849	1997	A	65	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	2	0	5	0	1925	1994	D	100	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
0	0	0	0	0	1932	1986	A	22	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	2	0	9	6	1921	1995	C	153	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	0	0	1	0	1813	1993	A	73	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
2	1	0	2	0	1885	1993	A	65	0	0	N	Y	N	1
1	1	0	3	0	1915	1989	A	130	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
2	3	0	2	0	1916	1975	A	100	0	0	Y	N	N	1
1	0	0	7	3	1908		C	192	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	0	0	0	0	1916	1978	A	17	0	0	Y	N	N	7
0	0	0	5	0	1884	1991	A	40	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
29	21	3	130	57				2880	0	0				

BIBLE STUDY/SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

15-TOTAL SS ENROLLMENT
a-Preschool Birth-5
b-Children 6-11
c-Youth 12-17
d-Adults 18-24
e-Adults 25-34
f-Adults 35-54

Congregation	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15e	15f
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	120	14	22	10	7	10	16
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	411	15	41	45	80	65	95
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	76	4	8	4	2	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	233	26	22	31	15	16	49
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	89	5	18	10	10	14	20
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	44	4	5	6	8	7	13
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	48	5	8	2	2	8	3
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	71	7	7	10	3	11	15
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	77	10	7	7	4	8	23
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	169	19	17	19	15	17	22
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	113	10	21	10	0	0	15
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	86	8	6	6	5	8	30
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	46	6	2	0	7	8	5
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	182	22	29	9	14	42	18
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	325	37	34	12	19	21	33
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	67	2	8	6	8	8	21
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	149	10	12	17	23	27	34
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	89	4	5	9	8	7	20
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	49	2	2	4	7	6	19
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	82	11	15	6	9	12	15
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	83	12	6	10	2	11	9
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	123	15	15	9	5	12	35
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	22	2	2	2	1	0	4
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	212	14	18	22	23	28	46
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	103	15	10	10	6	4	20
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	78	4	3	10	7	4	26
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	154	17	16	8	6	28	35
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	125	8	11	11	13	18	23
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	301	17	36	37	10	10	97
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	20	2	2	1	0	6	3
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	41	2	3	9	6	0	8
TOTALS	3788	329	411	352	325	416	772

For 1996-97 Associational Year

g-Adults 55 & Up
h-General Officers
i-Other Bible Study
16-SS Average Weekly Attendance
17-SS Member Not Member of Congregation
18-Vacation Bible School

15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
19	22	0	72	10	107
61	9	0	225	0	185
48	2	8	51	0	42
55	5	14	155	9	224
10	2	0	76	7	57
1	0	0	40	2	53
11	9	0	25	8	49
17	1	0	55	0	48
18	0	0	60	6	55
55	5	0	76	8	70
54	3	0	50	0	69
18	5	0	59	5	74
14	4	0	40	0	0
44	4	0	98	20	153
76	8	85	255	5	168
9	5	0	30	3	33
19	7	0	90	0	58
32	4	0	60	2	46
9	0	0	30	12	48
12	2	0	48	0	84
22	11	0	48	5	85
25	2	5	80	12	100
11	0	0	22	2	11
50	7	4	156	3	150
35	3	0	60	4	50
21	3	0	65	0	30
36	8	0	70	7	47
33	8	0	98	6	60
50	9	35	160	0	65
6	0	0	14	0	0
13	0	0	37	37	60
884	148	151	2405	173	2281

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

19-TOTAL ONGOING DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Ongoing Preschool B-5
b-Ongoing Children 6-11
c-Ongoing Youth 12-17
d-Ongoing Adult 18 & Up
e-DT General Officers

Congregation	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	27	0	0	0	25	2
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	128	6	15	14	84	9
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	42	0	0	38	0	4
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	43	5	6	8	20	4
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	43	2	3	5	31	2
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	28	2	2	6	16	2
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	30	0	2	8	18	2
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	12	1	0	0	11	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	40	5	4	9	17	5
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	23	5	3	2	12	1
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	19	0	0	19	0	0
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	33	1	0	5	23	4
TOTALS	468	27	35	114	257	35

For 1996-97 Associational Year

20-TOTAL SHORT-TERM DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Short-Term Preschool
b-Short-Term Children
c-Short-Term Youth
d-Short-Term Adults
19+20-Total DT Enrollment/Participation

20	20a	20b	20c	20d	19+20
0	0	0	0	0	27
12	0	0	0	12	140
0	0	0	0	0	0
30	0	17	4	9	72
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	5	4	0	52
0	0	0	0	0	43
0	0	0	0	0	0
82	19	33	24	6	82
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	28
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	30
0	0	0	0	0	12
0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	3	0	2	45
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	5	1	3	9
5	0	3	1	1	5
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	23
0	0	0	0	0	0
125	0	5	0	120	144
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	33
277	19	71	34	153	745

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION For 1996-97 Associational Year

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

21-TOTAL MUSIC MINISTRY ENROLLMENT
a-Preschool 3-5 Years
b-Children 6-11 Years
c-Youth 12-17 Years
d-Adult Choirs 18 & Up
e-Other Music Groups

Congregation	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	71	10	20	5	30	6
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	150	18	20	21	73	18
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	36	2	4	5	18	7
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	121	14	27	42	33	5
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	40	3	10	6	19	2
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	15	1	8	2	0	4
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	43	4	6	7	24	2
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	45	7	6	4	20	8
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	64	7	20	15	22	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	34	0	4	5	25	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	32	0	5	0	27	0
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	80	4	11	25	40	0
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	70	7	14	9	35	5
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	32	3	6	3	20	0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	50	3	6	7	26	8
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	28	0	2	6	20	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	54	6	0	12	30	6
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	46	5	5	12	22	2
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	28	0	0	5	20	3
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	72	0	14	15	35	8
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	60	8	8	10	22	12
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	20	0	0	0	20	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	47	10	11	8	18	0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	105	9	16	18	34	28
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	32	1	0	6	25	0
TOTALS	1375	122	223	248	658	124

MISSIONS INVOLVEMENT/EDUCATION INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
MITCHELL BAPT ASSN

22-MISSION PROJECTS PARTICIPATION
a-Local Community
b-State/National
c-International

23-TOTAL WMU ENROLLMENT
a-Mission Friends B-5
b-Ages 6-11
c-Ages 12-17

Congregation	22	22a	22b	22c	23	23a	23b	23c
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	0	0	0	0	20	0	9	3
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	3	0	0	3	68	12	15	10
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	47	15	32	0	134	17	12	78
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	15	15	0	0	29	3	5	5
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	0	0	0	0	16	2	3	0
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	31	0	31	0	69	12	9	12
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	33	0	0	0
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	0	0	0	0	15	3	3	0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	33	25	8	0	12	0	0	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	4	4	0	0	9	4	4	0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	3	3	0	0	30	5	8	3
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	24	12	12	0	21	5	0	5
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	65	65	0	0	86	10	12	15
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	0	0	0	0	21	0	8	0
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	45	20	16	9	87	2	6	17
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	16	0	14	2	25	0	0	12
TOTALS	286	159	113	14	685	75	94	160

d-Ages 18 & Up
e-WMU Leadership Team
24-TOTAL BROTHERHOOD ENROLLMENT
a-Ages 6-11
b-Ages 12-17
c-Ages 18 & Up
d-Mission Action Groups
25-Other Missions Education

23d	23e	24	24a	24b	24c	24d	25
7	1	8	2	3	3	0	0
25	6	32	14	6	12	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	5	80	35	0	20	25	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	4	14	3	3	8	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	2	14	0	2	12	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	0	39	11	12	16	0	0
26	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	3	12	0	0	12	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
48	1	41	10	8	20	3	1
10	3	15	5	0	10	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
55	7	50	8	12	25	5	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	3	6	0	0	6	0	0
306	50	311	88	46	144	33	1

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
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26-Undesignated Gifts
27-Designated Gifts
28-Other Receipts
29-Cooperative Program
30-Associational Missions

Congregation	26	27	28	29	30
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	101125	36640	0	500	2906
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	259934	29844	0	15000	4000
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	43710	9639	0	3892	1565
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	124292	16311	0	7435	3153
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	50829	8410	0	154	2091
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	20224	265	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	23494	1147	0	1329	1176
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	38143	0	0	0	390
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	31106	9972	0	100	440
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	87496	8219	1188	7545	1132
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	37895	3259	0	0	386
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	46778	12429	0	1939	776
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	15700	0	0	600	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	118432	53507	0	0	15781
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	146544	93617	2227	14654	3700
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	3952	332	46900	1454	1316
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	76767	1534	0	2400	1800
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	81303	18447	1287	9105	3672
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	38264	5610	0	0	889
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	52149	3486	0	1200	900
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	36000	1050	0	821	700
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	67692	3030	0	5930	2031
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	9200	1020	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	142061	44761	4254	14436	3981
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	62445	7080	386	5620	1873
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	50360	7096	4781	1600	2676
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	1420	1290	45945	3150	780
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	70167	0	0	0	480
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	276646	135436	6130	21650	600
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	7988	331	169	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	26609	3957	0	0	200
TOTALS	2148725	517719	113267	120514	59394

31-State Missions
32-Annie Armstrong
33-Lottie Moon
34-Other SBC Mission Expenditures
35-Non-SBC Mission Expenditures
36-Value of Congregational Property
37-Congregational Debt

31	32	33	34	35	36	37
670	1232	3604	9063	5167	390000	0
3000	3783	15500	6414	45983	900500	0
319	523	410	310	0	700000	7000
100	600	1649	286	4634	940000	14324
0	0	0	0	0	150500	0
0	0	0	0	0	150000	0
200	0	200	1100	1746	205000	0
1953	0	500	781	0	259000	0
1000	862	1012	0	0	200000	0
660	1149	2309	705	2770	1000000	0
0	2707	3806	0	5084	496300	0
0	376	193	0	0	300000	20555
0	0	0	0	0	150000	6000
7602	1818	2472	1490	2164	500000	0
1248	2942	5708	1646	4747	600000	0
0	600	2000	0	0	455000	0
0	100	892	120	0	500000	0
2413	3390	5136	4563	6383	550000	0
0	0	100	4846	0	238000	0
395	600	1517	164	0	255000	0
500	270	560	0	0	300000	0
2635	313	912	657	0	420000	0
0	0	260	0	1200	75000	0
391	913	10623	1040	6347	1040000	0
0	1561	2452	1688	2928	510000	0
0	1073	3500	0	0	250000	0
1300	510	642	0	0	175000	0
0	0	0	0	7471	205000	0
1652	1415	2319	0	30300	2000000	215000
0	0	200	0	300	75000	0
0	300	303	1000	900	250000	4000
26038	27037	68779	35873	128124	14239300	266879

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Spruce Pine, NC
and
Berry Chapel Baptist Church
Spruce Pine, NC

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Liberty Hill Baptist Church
Spruce Pine, NC
August 23, 1999

Grassy Creek Baptist Church
Spruce Pine, NC
August 24, 1999

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Director of Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
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Moderator ..... Rev. David Troutman
Rt. 3, Box 423, Spruce Pine
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Steve Williams
Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville
Clerk ..... Judy Greer
136 Hill St., Spruce Pine
Treasurer ..... Greg & Beverly Hollifield
518 Rock House Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
Historian ..... Buster Sparks
124 School Rd., Bakersville
Sunday School Director ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
729 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
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Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
W.M.U. Director ..... Marlene Ayers
Rt. 4, Box 431, Bakersville
Church Music Director ..... Oscar Horrell
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P.O. Box 143, Spruce Pine
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Missions Committee Chairman ..... Greg Hollifield
518 Rock House Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
Seminary Extension Chairman ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin
115 Pine Branch Rd., Spruce Pine
Youth Council Director ..... Claudia Pittman
469 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
Bible Drill Director ..... Martha Burleson
125 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville

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W.M.U. DIRECTORY

W.M.U. Director ..... Marlene Ayers
Rt. 4, Box 431, Bakersville
Secretary ..... Nora Nell Jarrett
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G.A. Director ..... Amy Ellis
Rt. 1, Box 707, Spruce Pine
Acteens Director ..... Susie Buchanan
P.O. Box 891, Spruce Pine
Women on Mission ..... Nina Buchanan
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Missions Consultant ..... Beulah Burleson
302 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
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President ..... Rev. Mark McKinney
Rt. 3, Box 98C, Bakersville
Vice-President ..... Rev. Matthew Stephens
216 Deer Park Lake Rd., Spruce Pine
Secretary/Treasurer ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine

COMMITTEES FOR THE 1998-99 SESSION

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Greg Hollifield, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. John Chick

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. David Johnson
Rev. Michael Brown
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Matthew Stephens
Rev. Steve Williams, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. John Chick, Chairman
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. David Wiseman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Don Stafford

SEMINARY EXTENSION

Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Matthew Stephens

ORDINATION EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1999 ..... Rev. David Troutman
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Max Holland
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Steve Sisk
Plus the Moderator, the Director of Missions, and the Candidate's pastor.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1999 ..... Glen Thompson
Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. David Johnson, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Alvin Livingston

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

	North	Central	South
Term Expiring 1999	Don Stafford Calvary	Gerold Grindstaff Snow Hill	John Chick Beaver Creek
Term Expiring 2000	Louise McKinney Roan Mountain	Reed Burleson Ledger	Jack Riddle Grassy Creek
Term Expiring 2001	Buster Yelton White Oak	Ken Murphy Mine Creek	Kenny Burleson Berry Chapel

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the listed Associational officers, all pastors, and the following elected by the churches.)

BEAR CREEK ..... Leonard Wiggins
109 Church Rd., Bakersville
BERRY CHAPEL ..... Ray Young
205 Cabin Rd., Spruce Pine

CENTRAL ..... Morris Stamey
303 Valley Rd., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
729 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL ..... Richard McKinney
103 Duncan St., Spruce Pine
FREEDOM ..... Melvin Dellinger
302 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK ..... Jack Riddle
103 Azalea Drive, Spruce Pine
LIBERTY HILL ..... Max Cabe
Rt. 1, Box 154, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH ..... Reece Brinkley
Rt. 3, Box 137-A, Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL ..... Avery Buchanan
106 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST ..... Jean Warren
110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine

SERMONS FOR 1999 SESSIONS

Monday ..... Rev. John Chick
Tuesday ..... Rev. David Johnson

TRUSTEES

Lee Sparks, Alvin Livingston, Walter Hoyle, Windle Young

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

CALVARY ..... John Stafford
444 Young Cove Rd., Bakersville
SNOW HILL ..... Larry Shane Buchanan
Rt. 3, Box 171-A, Bakersville

MINISTERS ORDAINED DURING THE YEAR

CALVARY ..... Rev. John Stafford
444 Young Cove Rd., Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN ..... Rev. Brad Hughes
Rt. 2, Box 571, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW ..... Rev. Daniel Honeycutt
Rt. 2, Box 242-C, Bakersville

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. John Chick - Chairman, Rev. Matthew Stephens, Rev. Russell McKinney

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Mark McKinney - Chairman, Rev. Howard Buchanan, Rev. Kenneth Murphy

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff - Chairman, Rev. Steve Williams, Rev. David Johnson

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Alvin Carpenter - Chairman, Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, Greg Hollifield

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

ALTAPASS: Rev. Steve Sisk, Carol Sisk, Gladys Saxon, Ray Saxon, Iris Burleson, Chucky Pendley, Joe Biddix, George Buchanan
BEAR CREEK: Rev. Max Holland, Rev. Howard Buchanan, Kathleen Buchanan, Lorie Jarrett, Danny Jarrett, James Miller, Marie Miller, Russell Burleson
BEAVER CREEK: Rev. John Chick, Phillip Henline, Mary Henline, Anna Mae Carpenter, Beulah Burleson, Doris Harrison, Fred Harrison
BERRY CHAPEL: Rev. George Gouge, Ella Gouge, Mary Stafford, Edna Grabowski, Lizzie Woody, Jeanette Woody, Faye Woody, Betty Carpenter, Judy Greer
BIG CRABTREE: Dora Willis, Claude Willis, Rev. Daniel Whetstine
BIG ROCK CREEK: Angela Honeycutt, Tony Honeycutt, Janice McKinney
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Howard Forbes
CALVARY: Rev. Don Stafford, Helen Beaver, Edward Beaver, Leon Clark, Celia Clark, Pamela Greene
CANE CREEK: Rev. Mark McKinney, Tommy Redden, Garry Robinson
CENTRAL: Rev. Matthew Stephens, Becky Stephens, Monroe Bridges, Morris Stamey, Nancy Burleson
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Rev. Fred Proctor, Ted Sparks, Charles Allen
FORK MOUNTAIN: Ivan Greene
FREEDOM: Rev. David Troutman, Susan Troutman, Chris Renfro, Bernice Peters, Naomi Dellinger, Gladys Burleson, Catherine Stamps, Stella Thomas
GRASSY CREEK: Rev. Sibbald Lambert, Shirley Lambert, Naomi Leamon, Jack Riddle, Lee McClellan, Fred E. Burleson, Wilma O. Burleson, Dorothy McKinney, Lucille Cook
LIBERTY HILL: Rev. David Johnson, Jenny Buckner, Keith Buckner, Elsie McKinney, Edith Hinkle, Marie Sparks, Lloyd Burleson, Marqueriete Burleson, Irene Hoyle, Walter Hoyle

LILY BRANCH: Rev. Steve Williams, Beverly Williams, Carl Murdock, Jackie Thomas, Regina Murdock
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rev. Dallas Renfro, Beatrice Renfro, Virginia Lovejoy, Gordon Lovejoy
McKINNEY COVE: Rev. Russell McKinney, Tonya McKinney, Marlene Ayers, Johnny Ayers
MINE CREEK: Rev. Kenneth Murphy, Janice Hensley, Marquetta Barnett, Allen Barnett
MOUNT CARMEL: Rev. Michael Brown, Rev. Alvin Carpenter
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Rev. Daniel Honeycutt, Wanda Honeycutt
PINE BRANCH: Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, Jewel Gaskin, Susie Buchanan, Greg Franklin, Curtis Hughes, Dawn Hughes, Shirley Hoilman, Fred O. Burleson, Lee Sparks, Adam Duncan, Paula Duncan
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Rev. Tom Watson, Kevin McKinney
SILVER CHAPEL: Rev. Jay Orr, Mozell Howell, Fred Louis Howell, Betty Buchanan, Elberta Buchanan, Sherwin Buchanan
SNOW HILL: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Veida Ayers, Rev. Lee Ayers
SPRING CREEK: Rev. Bob McCurry, Luther Street
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Jean Warren, David Thayer, Rev. R.M. Cassity
TOECANE: Rev. Jack Callahan
WHITE OAK: Rev. Buster Yelton, Marcella Bailey, Marian McNeill, Bobby Webb

CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, INC.

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "Mitchell Baptist Association, Incorporated."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: First, the officers of the Association; Second, Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; Third, Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the

Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one-hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Discipleship Training Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members of the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility

of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5B. A Budget and Finance Committee. This committee shall consist of six lay persons and three pastors with no church having more than one member. Their terms of service shall be for three years with three members rotating off each year.

The Nominating Committee shall include in their report each year the names of three persons for membership on the Budget and Finance Committee. The committee will elect their own chairperson.

The Moderator, Treasurer, and Director of Missions shall serve as ex officio members of this committee.

It shall be the duty of this committee to receive individual budget requests from department directors and committee chairpersons, and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet the needs in light of anticipated contributions from the churches.

This committee shall publish the proposed budget sixty days prior to the annual meeting, and seek opportunities to promote the proposed budget in the churches.

Once the budget has been adopted, the committee will be available to advise the treasurer regarding disbursements, especially when "Cash on Deposit" makes it necessary to give priority to certain line items in the budget.

Article 5C. Associational Council

1. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Discipleship Training, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Historian.
2. The Association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to coordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.
3. The council shall be responsible for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for coordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.
4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.
5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Article 5D. Missions Committee

This committee shall be composed of five (5) members. The duties of this committee are:

1. To work with the Director of Missions and serve as the mediator between him and the Association.
2. To work with local churches or groups contemplating the establishment of new work and/or missions.
3. To promote the missionary and extension work of the Association.

Article 5E. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Monday and Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefore shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the second day's session.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

150th Annual Session
Mitchell Baptist Association

Pine Branch Baptist Church
Monday, August 24, 1998
3:30 - 9:00 P.M.

Scripture Theme: Luke 24:47

"In His Name..."

3:30	Call to Order	Rev. David Troutman, Moderator
	Hymn #33	"To God Be The Glory"
	Welcome	Dr. Kenneth Gaskin
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. Kenneth Murphy
	Committee Report: Order of Business	Rev. John Chick
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
3:45	Special Music	Lori Jarrett
3:50	Baptist Children's Homes	Steve Hoffman
4:05	Flood Relief Report	Rev. Daniel Whetstine
4:15	Church Growth Multiplier	James Clouse
4:25	Multi-Housing Ministry	Pamela Mungo
4:35	Hymn #461	"I Love To Tell The Story"
4:40	Blue Ridge Prison Ministry	Rev. Russell Hoilman
4:50	Special Music	Curtis & Dawn Hughes
5:00	Challenge Message	Dr. James Royston
5:30	Benediction and Blessing on the meal	

(Break for the evening meal)

7:00	Call to Order	Rev. David Troutman, Moderator
	Hymn #435	"He Keeps Me Singing"
	Scripture and Prayer	Chris Renfro
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Youth Report	Claudia Pittman
7:30	"Celebrate Jesus, 2000"	Milton Hollifield
7:45	DOM Report	Rev. Daniel Whetstine
7:55	Hymn #448	"Because He Lives"
8:00	Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, Welcome of New Pastors, Treasurer's Report, Budget and Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and Miscellaneous Business	
8:25	Special Music	Youth Choir, Central Baptist
8:30	Annual Sermon	Rev. Matthew Stephens
9:00	Benediction	

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Berry Chapel Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 25, 1998
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

7:00	Call to Order	Rev. David Troutman, Moderator
	Hymn #217	"There Is A Name I Love To Hear"
	Welcome	Rev. George Gouge
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. John Stafford
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Special Music	Pastors' Choir
7:25	Mission Message	Rev. John McGee

8:00 Hymn #514 ..... "When We All Get To Heaven"

Recognitions, Announcements, Nominating Committee's Report, Election of Officers, Program Committee, and Miscellaneous Business

8:15 Special Music ..... Kim Martin

8:25 Annual Sermon ..... Dr. Kenneth Gaskin

9:00 Benediction .....

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Pine Branch Baptist Church
August 24, 1998
3:30 P.M.

1. The 150th Annual Session of the Mitchell Baptist Association met on Monday afternoon, August 24, 1998, 3:30 P.M., at Pine Branch Baptist Church, in Spruce Pine. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. David Troutman, pastor of Freedom Baptist Church. The scriptural theme for this year's sessions was "In His Name.." Luke 24:47.

2. The congregation was led by Rev. David Troutman, in singing the hymn, "To God Be The Glory."

3. Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, pastor of Pine Branch Baptist Church, gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

4. Rev. Kenneth Murphy, pastor of Mine Creek Baptist Church, read Ephesians 6:10-17, and led in the opening prayer.

5. The Order of Business Report was given by Rev. John Chick, who made the motion to accept the program for the 1998 Annual Session. The motion was seconded and approved.

6. Judy Greer, Associational Clerk, gave the roll call of churches. Twenty-seven churches were represented. (See Messengers to Association for names of churches and messengers, pages 5-6.) Registration cards were handed out at this time.

7. Steve Hoffman, representative of the Children's Homes, gave information on the various Children's Homes in North Carolina. He stated that Child Care workers were still needed as houseparents to the cottages.

8. Special music was provided by Lori Jarrett, who sang "I Bowed On My Knees."

9. Our Director of Missions, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, reported on our Flood Relief that had come through the association. He told of families that had been helped and of those who were in the process of being helped. A total of $67,180.13 came in from many individuals, churches and associations throughout the state. The balance in this fund is $19,245.87. This reported was submitted for adoption. It was seconded and approved.

10. Jim Clouse, Church Growth Multiplier, reported on how help was available through this extended arm of the Baptist State Convention, for associations and churches. They help with Sunday School, Brotherhood and general consultation.

11. Pamela Mungo reported on Multi-housing Ministry. She works through the Baptist State Convention to help put in place these kinds of ministries. She is working with Mitchell Association to help us get a ministry program in the three apartment complexes in town. A committee is being formed to work in these places.

12. The congregation was led in the hymn, "I Love To Tell The Story."

13. A report on the Blue Ridge Prison Ministry was given by Rev. Russell Hoilman, Chaplain. He reported on the progress of the ministry there. He then asked for one of the inmates to give his testimony.

14. Special music was provided by Curtis and Dawn Hughes who sang, "Will You Be The One?". Following this two Blue Ridge Youth Center inmates sang, "God Sent An Angel."

15. A Challenge Message was brought by Dr. James Royston, our new Director/Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention. His scripture reference was I Kings 17:9-14 and he spoke to us about "Little Is Much When God Is In It."

16. Directions were given to the evening meal and the benediction and blessing were given by Dr. Kenneth Gaskin pastor of Pine Branch Baptist Church.

Break for evening meal.

17. The evening session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. David Troutman.

18. The congregation was led in the hymn, "He Keeps Me Singing."

19. Chris Renfro, youth director of Freedom Baptist Church, read from Colossians 12 and led in prayer.

20. A second roll call of the churches was given with two additional churches represented. This makes twenty-nine churches represented.

21. Milton Hollifield, Evangelism Director of the Baptist State Convention, spoke of the efforts and the plans for "Celebrate Jesus: 2000." This is the greatest cooperative effort to reach the people of North America that has ever been tried. He told us we needed to set an associational goal to reach each community with the Gospel. Rev. Hollifield also told us it would take everyone working together to reach that goal.

22. In the absence of the Associational Youth Director, the Moderator called attention to the Youth Report that was given in the Book of Reports.

23. Our Director of Missions, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, gave his report. He stated that the greatest event during the year was the January floods and the disaster relief that followed.

He also stated that:

– the Disaster Relief Van (Trailer) and training was still needed for this area.

– that a Multi-Housing Ministry was still in the planning stages.

– that an Evangelism Blitz was scheduled for October 16-17, with Soul-Winning Seminars planned.

– that another Youth Crusade was planned for September 19, with Clayton King as guest speaker.

Rev. Whetstine made the motion for the adoption of this report. It was so moved, seconded and approved.

24. The congregation was led in the hymn, "Because He Lives."

25. The Youth Crusade was announced and the date given for September 19.

26. The Tri-County Camp Meeting was announced that it was already in progress and would continue for the week.

27. Rev. Dallas Renfro spoke on behalf of Rev. Bud Spencer (former missionary to Japan) who is interested in supplying and speaking for the churches.

28. Rev. David Troutman called attention to the Committees appointed by the Moderator for the coming year. (See page 5)

29. Our new pastors were recognized at this time. They were Rev. Daniel Honeycutt - pastor of Mountain View; Rev. David Vess - pastor of First Baptist, Spruce Pine; and Rev. Dallas Renfro - pastor of Little Rock Creek Baptist Church.

30. Greg Hollifield, associational treasurer, gave the year-end Treasurer's Report. He reported a balance in treasury of $5,122.94.

31. Rev. John Chick presented the Proposed Budget for 1998-99. With no questions, the motion was made for its adoption. It was seconded and approved.

32. The Executive Committee Report was presented as information by the associational clerk, Judy Greer.

33. There was no miscellaneous business.

34. Special music was presented by the Youth Sign Choir from Central Baptist Church, led by Mrs. Becky Stephens.

35. Rev. Matthew Stephens, pastor of Central Baptist Church, brought the Annual Sermon. His scripture was I Corinthians 1:10-18, and he spoke on "In Whose Name?"

36. The benediction was given by Rev. George Gouge.

Berry Chapel Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 25, 1998
7:00 P.M.

37. Rev. David Troutman, Moderator, called the second night's session to order.

38. The congregation sang the hymn, "There Is A Name I Love To Hear."

39. Rev. George Gouge, pastor of Berry Chapel Baptist Church, gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

40. Rev. John Stafford, read John 3:26-30 and led in the opening prayer.

41. A roll call of churches was given by the clerk. Registration cards were handed out at this time. Twenty-six churches were represented.

42. An altar prayer was given for special prayer request for Mike Hopson, people in the path of Hurricane Bonnie, Betty Hughes, and the Ray Wiseman family.

43. Special music was provided by the Pastors' Choir.

44. A Mission Message was given by Rev. John McGee, a former missionary to Nigeria, Africa. He had the privilege of baptizing over 7,000 people while serving there over a time period of 34 years.

45. The congregation was led in the hymn, "When We All Get To Heaven."

46. The Nominating Committee's Report was presented at this time. This is a list of the officers and directors for the coming associational year. A motion was made for its adoption and this was seconded and approved. (See page 1)

47. The election of officers began with the nomination of Judy Greer to continue as our associational clerk. The motion was seconded and approved. Rev. Steve Williams was nominated by Rev. Mark McKinney to continue as our Vice-Moderator. With no other nominations, the motion carried. Rev. Steve Sisk nominated Rev. David Troutman to continue as our Moderator. With no other nominations, the motion carried.

48. The Time, Place and Preacher Committee announced that for the 1999 Annual Session, the first night's meeting will be at Liberty Hill Baptist Church and the second night at Grassy Creek Baptist Church. The Annual Sermons will be brought by Rev. John Chick and by Rev. David Johnson.

49. In miscellaneous business:

(a) Rev. Alvin Carpenter presented a Resolution from the Resolutions Committee thanking the two host churches, Pine Branch and Berry Chapel, for their hospitality. And to offer a very special "thank you" to Pine Branch for the delicious meal on Monday evening. A motion was made for the adoption of this Resolution and it was seconded and approved.

(b) Rev. Gerold Grindstaff made the motion for $5,000 to be taken from our Relief Fund to buy and help furnish our Disaster Trailer which has been in the planning for over a year. Rev. Steve Williams seconded the motion and the motion carried.

50. Special music was provided by Kim Martin.

51. The Youth from Pine Branch Baptist Church presented a stick drama to the song, "Arise, My Love."

52. Dr. Kenneth Gaskin, pastor of Pine Branch Baptist Church, brought the Annual Sermon. His text was taken from various scriptures. He spoke on "Hold The Rope." He ending his message with all of the pastors holding onto a rope and with a prayer for them to hold the rope of integrity, faith, prayer, hope, endurance, and victory.

53. A challenge was given for the Evangelism Blitz coming up in October.

54. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Rev. Steve Williams, pastor of Lily Branch Baptist Church.

PROPOSED BUDGET – 1998-99

	1997-98	1998-99
I. PERSONNEL MINISTRIES		
Director of Missions:		
Salary	$ 8,100.00	8,100.00
Housing Allowance	3,405.00	3,405.00
Travel Reimbursement	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Secretary	16,207.00	16,207.00
II. MISSION SUPPORT MINISTRIES WITH THE LOCAL CHURCH		
Sunday School/VBS	650.00	400.00
Discipleship Training/Memory Work	350.00	350.00
Brotherhood	75.00	75.00
WMU	500.00	500.00
Evangelism	1,000.00	.0
Church Music	100.00	.0
Youth	250.00	250.00
Blue Ridge Youth Cntr. Ministry	2,100.00	2,100.00
Hispanic Ministry	600.00	600.00
III. OUR ADMINISTRATIVE - SUPPORT MINISTRIES		
Missionary's Retirement	4,000.00	4,000.00
Conventions, Conferences, Workshops, etc.	700.00	700.00
Social Security Allowance:		
Director of Missions	800.00	800.00
Secretary	1,252.00	1,252.00
Hospital Insurance/Secretary	4,800.00	4,800.00
Treasurer's Honorarium	400.00	.0
Christmas Bonuses:		
Director of Missions	500.00	500.00
Secretary	400.00	400.00
Telephone	800.00	800.00
Office Supplies & Repairs	3,000.00	3,000.00
Postage	1,500.00	1,500.00
Utilities	1,200.00	1,200.00
Fire Insurance	500.00	700.00
Miscellaneous Expense	1,000.00	..500.00
Flowers/Memorials	100.00	100.00
Supplies for Risograph	1,500.00	1,500.00
Summer Student Missionary	1,000.00	.0
Building & Grounds Maintenance	1,000.00	0
Resource & Workshop Material	400.00	.0
Audio/Visual Equipment	600.00	.0
Benevolence Fund	500.00	.0
TOTAL	$ 60,789.00	$ 55,239.00

CHURCHES GIVING TO ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS
Year Ending, July 31, 1998

CHURCH	MAY--JULY	AUG.---APR.	TOTALS
Altapass	$ 716.00	$ 2,247.00	$ 2,963.00
Bakersville	0	2,139.50	2,139.50
Bear Creek	999.94	3,000.06	4,000.00
Beaver Creek	509.54	1,418.91	1,928.45
Berry Chapel	896.00	2,554.00	3,450.00
Big Crabtree	400.00	2,115.00	2,515.00
Big Rock Creek	0	0	0
Black Mountain	172.35	668.88	841.23
Calvary	197.84	626.82	824.66
Cane Creek	415.00	440.00	855.00
Central	500.22	1,201.71	1,701.93
Chestnut Grove	375.43	240.59	616.02
Crabtree Chapel	297.95	626.93	924.88
Fork Mountain	200.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
Freedom	764.49	1,681.05	2,445.54
Grassy Creek	924.99	2,774.97	3,699.96
Ledger	0	508.21	508.21
Liberty Hill	300.00	1,500.00	1,800.00
Lily Branch	1,017.43	2,494.61	3,512.04
Little Rock Creek	512.60	752.00	1,264.60
McKinney Cove	255.00	990.00	1,245.00
Mine Creek	460.42	333.88	794.30
Mount Carmel	579.97	1,683.66	2,263.63
Mountain View	0	0	0
Pine Branch	985.99	2,202.07	3,188.06
Roan Mountain	684.40	1,435.25	2,119.65
Silver Chapel	909.98	1,838.62	2,748.60
Snow Hill	334.90	841.70	1,176.60
Spring Creek	80.00	400.00	480.00
Spruce Pine, First	150.00	450.00	600.00
Toecane	300.00	0	300.00
White Oak	300.00	200.00	500.00
Hispanic Mission	10.00	20.00	30.00
TOTALS	$ 14,250.44	$ 38,385.42	$ 52,635.86

TREASURER'S REPORT
Twelve Months Ending July 31, 1998

RECEIPTS			
Avery Association Reimbursement (Health Ins.)			5,541.62
Baptist State Convention Supplement			1,208.38
Church Contributions			51,235.36
Miscellaneous Contributions			4,085.95
Disaster Relief Van			1,978.00
Evangelistic Crusade			2,177.25
Hispanic Ministry			4,995.05
Minute Fund			952.75
NC Sales Tax Refund			278.13
Prison Ministry			2,661.69
Sale of Supplies, printing, etc.			575.16
Youth Crusade			3,601.95
Total Receipts			$ 79,291.29
DISBURSEMENTS			
Annual Meeting			1,088.00
Conferences			177.75
Crusades:			
Evangelism			2,708.44
Youth			3,875.17
Fundraiser			942.73
Insurance on Building			530.00
Lawn Care			120.00
Literature			322.36
Ministries:			
Hispanic			5,029.09
Prison			4,575.57
Miscellaneous			9,074.60
Office Expense			2,480.03
Payroll:			
DOM	Salary	8,100.00	
	Social Security Allowance	800.03	
	Less Federal Tax	[2,640.00]	
	Less State Tax	[540.00]	5,720.03
Housing			3,405.00
Travel - Auto			1,500.00
Secretary	Salary	16,206.99	
	Less Social Security	[1,004.90]	
	Less Medicare	[234.96]	
	Less State Tax	[484.80]	14,482.33
Annuity Board			
DOM Retirement			3,996.00
Secretary's Retirement			1,800.00
Payroll Taxes			
State			1,009.90
Federal and Social Security			5,119.68
Personal Security (Health, Life, Disability Ins.)			9,658.89
Postage			1,235.56
Professional Fees (Accounting)			1,325.00

Repairs	
Building	52.65
Prophet Room	1,643.81
Summer Worker	200.00
Supplies	1,089.58
Telephone	620.85
Utilities	
Cable	191.03
Electric	1,248.09
WMU	226.23
Youth	76.12
Honorarium	275.00
Bank Service Charge & Check Fees	198.62
Sales Tax	57.78
Total Disbursements	$ 86,055.89
Cash on Deposit, August 1, 1997	11,887.54
Add: Receipts for August 1, 1997 - July 31, 1998	79,291.29
Total	91,178.83
Less: Disbursements for August 1, 1997 - July 31, 1998	86,055.89
Available Balance, July 31, 1998	$ 5,122.94

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

January 15, 1998

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, January 15, 1998, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. David Troutman, Moderator, presided and called the meeting to order. After prayer requests were made, Greg Hollifield, interim pastor of Black Mountain, led in the opening prayer.

The following churches were represented – asterisk indicates presence of pastor: *Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Black Mountain, Crabtree Chapel, *Freedom, *Lily Branch, *Little Rock Creek, *Pine Branch, ,and *Spruce Pine, First. Twelve people were present.

The moderator welcomed a new pastor, Rev. David Vess, to our association. Rev. Vess is the pastor of First Baptist in Spruce Pine.

The treasurer's report was given with a balance in the treasury of $4,187.85.

Rev. David Troutman gave a report on the efforts of the disaster relief that had been headquartered in his church. He stated that this would close out on Friday, January 23. Approximately $10,000 in donations had been received for this effort and a special account had been opened for this purpose. This will help individuals as we know their needs.

In old business: The purpose for a Disaster Relief Van for our association is more evident than ever. We will ask each church for a donation of $100.00 for this project and this too will be put in a separate account.

In new business: Baxter Laboratories has offered to donate boxes of rubber gloves to be used in the clean-up efforts. Rev. George Gouge volunteered to pick up these items.

Jean Warren, Director of WMU, gave the date for our up-coming Annual WMU Meeting. This is scheduled for Monday, April 27, 1998, 7:00 P.M. at Bear Creek Baptist Church.

The associational clerk brought to the attention of the Executive members that we need to have our next meeting close to the anniversary date of our incorporation which is May 12. It was voted to have our next Executive Committee Meeting on May 14 and then go quarterly thereafter.

It was discussed how we could use our Baptist men on Saturdays to help with the building projects that will be needed. We will have many long-range needs in our county.

The meeting was dismissed in prayer by Rev. George Gouge, pastor of Berry Chapel Baptist Church.

May 14, 1998

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, May 14, 1998, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. David Troutman, Moderator, presided and called the meeting to order. After prayer requests were made, Rev. Tom Watson, pastor of Roan Mountain Baptist Church, led in the opening prayer.

The following churches were represented – an asterisk indicates the presence of pastor: *Beaver Creek, *Berry Chapel, *Big Crabtree, *Chestnut Grove, Crabtree Chapel, *Freedom, Grassy Creek, *Lily Branch, McKinney Cove & *Roan Mountain – 13 people were present.

Minutes of the January meeting were read by the clerk and the treasurer's report was also given. The amount in the treasury was reported to be $1,152.27.

The following reports were given: WMU – Marlene Ayers introduced herself as the new WMU director for the 1998-99 year. She stated that she will help any church's WMU if they will just give her a call. The Annual WMU Meeting in April was reported a success.

Baptist Men – In the absence of Rev. David Johnson, Rev. John Chick reported on his trip to Ridgecrest to attend Key Leadership Conference.

Sunday School – Rev. Richard Hollifield also attend Key Leadership at Ridgecrest. He would like to help anyone with their Sunday School.

Evangelism – Rev. Tom Watson reported on the upcoming Evangelistic Crusade. This will be held July 27-31 with Dr. Ron Lynch as guest evangelist again this year. This will be held at Bear Creek Baptist Church.

After attending Key Leadership, our Moderator asked that we look into the "Celebrate Jesus 2000" Evangelism event.

Our Director of Missions, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, reported on the progress of our disaster relief. A list was handed out to show where the money had been spent for our flood relief. He also reported that the total contributions to this relief effort was $67,180.13 and that $42,712.73 has been paid out so far. We have a balance in this account of $24,467.40.

A suggestion was given that we have a resolution at our Annual Meeting to publicly thank each one who contributed to this fund.

In new business: the Director of Missions made the following recommendations.

– that after 18 years of service a third week of vacation be added to the secretary's package. Rev. Richard Hollifield made the motion to accept this recommendation and it was seconded and approved.

– that the amount of the upcoming decrease (due to daughter's college graduation) in the secretary's medical supplement be rolled over to her retirement fund. Rev. Tom Watson made the motion to accept this recommendation and it was seconded and approved.

– the Director of Missions stated that the upcoming week (May 18-24) was Associational Week and asked the churches to remember the association.

– an announcement was made to remind everyone of the Senior Adult Rally to be held on Monday, May 18. Each pastor was asked to promote this event in their church.

– a Soul-Winning Training Session and Banquet is being planned for early Fall.

– a chart was handed out showing the difference in our church contributions and our budget for the past six years. This was to show the increase in our budget and the decrease in our church contributions. Those present were asked to go back to their churches and encourage their churches to receive an offering during the Associational Emphasis Week.

The meeting was dismissed in prayer by Rev. John Chick, pastor of Beaver Creek Baptist Church. The next meeting will be our Annual Meeting on August 24 and 25.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Greer, Clerk

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES

Treasures Old and New

In concluding a series of parables related to the wise use of God's gifts, Jesus ended with these words, "Every scribe which is instructed unto the Kingdom of heaven, is like unto a man that is a householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old." Matthew 13:52.

During this past year God has enriched Baptist Retirement Homes with special treasures.

Treasures Old

The Treasure of our North Carolina Baptist Family – Our 500 residents plus all the staff who make up the Baptist Retirement Homes part of the family, say, "Thank You" to the rest of our North Carolina Baptist family.

Thank you for giving so generously through the North Carolina Offering for Older Adults enabling Baptist Retirement Homes to lead the way for the state of North Carolina in providing benevolent care for Older Adults. Every dollar that comes through these channels is designated to provide care for the "poor elderly."

The Treasure of our Baptist Volunteers – These volunteers range from a W.M.U. group that provides regular monthly programs plus special activities such as ice-cream socials at The Taylor House in Albemarle, to a friend who spends hours each week giving manicures at The Hamilton Baptist Home in Hamilton, to a B.S.U. group that provides a weekly program at the Prince Nursing Care Center at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem, to a preschool day care class that comes twice a month to visit their "grandfriends" at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville.

Treasures New

Taylor Glen Retirement Community in Concord – For more than a decade Baptist Retirement Homes has been dreaming with North Carolina Baptists of the Cabarrus/Mecklenburg/Rowan/Stanly area about providing quality residential and health care living opportunities and services to Older Adults. Because of the encouragement given by Baptist of the area, and as a result of the philanthropy of Cabarrus County natives, Carrol and Geneva Taylor, this dream will soon be a reality.

Five New Two Bedroom Apartments at Brookridge – These apartments are nearing completion as an addition to the Main Building at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem. Bringing the total number of independent living apartments to 146.

Residential Units for Memory Impaired – Special units for those Older Adults dealing with dementia related conditions such as Alzheimer's Disease, will be developed at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville and the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem. In Asheville the unit will be created via a significant renovation within the current home. In Winston-Salem new construction will be required.

This report is sent with heartfelt gratitude for your prayers, your deeds of kindness and your gifts enabling us to make life for North Carolina Baptist Older Adults...The Best of Times!

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Stillerman

WMU

"And Jesus said to him, Go and do the same." Luke 10:37

The theme for this past year has been "Come, Go With Me." In many ways our year has been fruitful and encouraging. Two on-going projects have been carried out this year by participating church WMUs and individuals.

– Campbell Labels for Education

At the request of Debbie Wohler, home missionary in Tahoe City, California, we sent over 2,000 labels from our association toward the purchase of two badly

needed vans. We will continue to save labels from Campbell's, and also Hefty, Hershey and Kodak products, toward procuring four computers for the after school program. The June 23, 1998, "Mitchell Messenger" gave all the details. Check it out and start saving!

– Project Help: Cultural Diversity

This is the project for the year by all of WMU. Locally, we have left it to each church to carry out their part. Several churches have provided refreshments and some equipment for a Spanish mission. Pine Branch has been especially effective in working with Hispanics. We were honored to have the Pine Branch GAs to sing for our Annual Celebration. A number of Hispanic girls are a part of their Girls in Action under the leadership of Amy Ellis.

Special appreciation goes to Berry Chapel for hosting both Baptist Women's Day of Prayer and the Annual Celebration.

Seventy-five women from seven churches attended Baptist Women's Day of Prayer services. An offering of $250.00 was given to help with projects for women around the world.

Many of our women were involved in helping our county following the disastrous winter flood. Cleaning, cooking and serving for volunteers who came in from other parts of the state, answering phones, collecting food and clothing and sorting them, were only a part of what was done. There is not enough space to include everyone who helped. Appreciation to all who helped and especially to all who prayed.

An exciting and entertaining Annual Celebration was held on April 27, 1998. The theme was "Come, Go With Me." Ninety-five were in attendance, including four pastors and one guest. Beverly Williams, Mitchell County Volunteer Coordinator, challenged us to find a place of service among the many needs and volunteer. The message in songs was presented by Dawn and Curtis Hughes. We were entertained grandly and taught as well, by "Judessa," alias Patricia Frazier. With both humor and seriousness, she was enjoyed by all. Our gift to the Mundo Vista Renovation was $175.00. There were fourteen churches represented.

It brings sadness to realize so many churches did not share in this exciting Celebration.

You may need help in starting a new WMU or in reviving the one you have. Please contact your 1998-99 officers for help.

WMU Director - Marlene Ayers, 688-4890
Secretary - Nora Nell Jarrett, 688-2870
Missions Consultant - Beulah Burleson, 765-4029
Women on Mission - Nina Buchanan, 765-6033
Acteens Consultant - Susie Buchanan, 765-9728
Girls in Action Consultant - Amy Ellis, 765-2216
Ethnic Consultant - Mary Lynn Wilson, 688-1122

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Warren

ASSOCIATIONAL BIBLE DRILLS

Our associational Bible Drills are a highlight of our associational year. We are very proud of each participant in Children's Bible Drill and in Youth Bible Drill. We had 52 children and youth who participated at the associational level this year. These children and youth are to be commended for their hard work. If your church doesn't participate in this event we encourage you to take part next year.

We would like to give a heartfelt "thanks" to each leader and parent who supported these participants and sacrificed their time to help.

The following children participated in the 1998 Associational Children's Bible Drill. An asterisk (*) indicates a three-year participant.

Bear Creek: Ryan Jarrett, *Patrick Willis, Will Pitman, Jessica Pitman, Keisha Duncan

Berry Chapel: *Leanna Huffman, Bryant Greene, Lacey Queen, Jessica Helms

Chestnut Grove: *Cassie Cooke, Kyle Lyons

First Baptist: *Daniel Buchanan, Justin Canipe, Megan Gouge, Lindsey Phillips, *Aaron Snyder, Brent Taylor, *Chase Thomas, *Jameson Harding

Freedom: *Robert Woody, Kathy Lawrence, Adrienne Dayton, Jordan Runion

Ledger: Aaron Buchanan, Andrew Zeidell

Pine Branch: Adrian Hise, Cody Phillips, Josh Sullins

Snow Hill: Rachel Grindstaff, Ashley Grindstaff, Sabrina Grindstaff, Brittany Wilson

The following youth participated in the 1998 Associational Youth Bible Drill. A double asterisk (**) indicates a six year participant.

Berry Chapel: **Shannon Jones, Ashley Winters, Ashley Gentry, Joey Harris, Jordan Burleson

Chestnut Grove: Justin Cooke, David Braswsell

Freedom: **Dana Troutman, Danielle Dayton, Ashley Parsons

Pine Branch: John Mark Sullins, **Allison Hise, Dustin Frye, Deidre Burleson, Jennifer Riddle, Danielle Moore

Roan Mountain: **Kristen Silver, Kegan Silver, Darren Gardner

Snow Hill: Julia Wynkoop

A special "congratulations" to our six-year participants. This is an outstanding accomplishment.

We had two participants in the Speakers' Tournament this year. This is open to youth in grades 10-12. Amanda Burleson from Bear Creek and Nathan Silver from Berry Chapel were our participants. Nathan Silver advanced to the Regional Tournament at Valdese.

Nathan won the Regional Speakers' Tournament at Valdese on April 17. He participated in the State Speakers' Tournament in Thomasville on Saturday, May 2, where he received second place. We are proud of Nathan and he represented our association well.

If your church doesn't participate in Bible Drills, please give serious consideration to doing so next year.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Burleson

BAPTIST FOUNDATION

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in generating endowment to enhance their permanent financial support. The uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased individual collective financial support. The Baptist Foundation is committed to assisting individual church members through creative stewardship methods to provide permanent financial undergirding of these ministries.

As of December 31, 1997, the Foundation held $72,432,412 under management. In 1997, $3,473,850 was distributed to Baptist work and $1,542,473 was distributed to individuals for a total distribution of $5,016,323.

The income distributions for the entire 78-year history of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation totals: $12,475,237 income paid to individuals and $19,533,109 to Baptist churches, institutions, and mission causes for a grand historical total of $32,008,346.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Addison Trice, Jr., Chairman of the Board
Dr. M. Clay Warf, Executive Director

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

"A democracy can only survive and flourish as a nation of readers," says Daniel J. Boorstin, a Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and former Librarian of Congress.

He is correct! Thomas Jefferson said the purest form of democracy he had ever seen was Baptist churches. We Baptists cherish our soul-liberty, and its corporate corollary--the autonomy of the local church.

But Baptists will never preserve their democratic form of decision-making if they are not properly informed. A democracy demands an informed constituency, whether they like the news of not!

The Biblical Recorder tries to tell the whole story with a focus on the many positive things people are doing in their churches and world missions, along with the crucial issues which cannot be concealed and ignored if we honor our heritage from yesterday and fulfill our mission for tomorrow.

There is no way to address these issues without correct and reliable information. The Biblical Recorder was born and continues to serve for that purpose. In the 165 years of state Baptist papers in North Carolina, never was the Recorder more needed than now for people to have the truth.

Because people are reading less than any time in recent history at the very time there is an increased number of publications and periodicals, the Recorder has kept pace with the state-of-the-art in print media, and entered the world of electronic communications with an attractive and effective Web site. The Web

site address is http://www.biblicalrecorder.org.

The Recorder Web site was officially launched in September 1997. The number of persons using the Web site has grown substantially. Each month there are 15-18,000 hits from around the world, literally--from Asia, Africa, Europe, South America, the Pacific Rim, even Australia! In the United States, people from several states regularly use the Recorder as their source of dependable Baptist information.

The Biblical Recorder should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina. Your support as a subscriber and reader, coupled with your encouragement to others, will enable the paper to better serve the constituency with accurate and helpful information.

In order to save churches large amounts of money and to increase the readership of the Recorder, Church News Service (CNS) was launched in 1990. This system lets any congregation have their church news incorporated into the Biblical Recorder which saves staff time, postage and printing costs. Usually, for less than what it costs to produce the church newsletter, CNS gives the entire Baptist communication package to each family in the congregation.

The paper deliberately focuses more attention on North Carolina Baptists with news, features and inspirational articles which will encourage individuals and churches in the witness and ministry.

That is why the Recorder was born; that is why it serves today. For more information on how your church can subscribe or use CNS, contact: The Biblical Recorder, 232 West Millbrook Rd., Raleigh, NC 27609, (919)847-2127. E-mail: 70420.66@compuserve.com.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

Her voice steady and quiet, Christy delivers her personal story like a letter dropped into an anonymous mailbox at a shuttered house on a nameless street.

Her grandparents' murder had unleashed memories of her own abuse. Family members encouraged her to leave her home and repeatedly told her she was worthless.

"I've had a rough life," she says. "I've been through about anything I can possibly go through."

Christy admits carrying a short fuse and outbursts, physical abuse and a dangerous living situation brought her to Mills Home in November 1997.

She continues her quiet story about coming to Mills Home, about doing well in school and tutoring two residents in Alumni Cottage. She's glad she can help, because "learning comes easy to me, and I want to help someone if I can."

Julie, her first child care worker at Mills Home, became a real friend who "helped me turn my life around," Christy says, her face at last beginning to brighten. "She was there for me when I needed somebody. My parents weren't there. Nobody wanted me. It was fun being around Julie. She showed me she cared about me and that I could be loved."

Julie didn't realize how important her friendship was, or how close Christy came to giving up. Christy admits to two suicide attempts, and believed she

would never see age 16.

"I use to dread getting up," she said. "I didn't know if I would get my mouth busted or my arm broke."

Even now, there are days Christy doesn't want to get out of bed. But she does, and she goes to school and earns mostly "A"s and stars on the varsity basketball team, and tutors other residents in math, and went to New York for a summer basketball tournament and is planning to attend college to study a helping profession.

Now she is planing to live, not planning to die. BCH is giving her opportunities to live for.

Christy's story is repeated hundreds of times each year at BCH. Not all are as dramatic but every one tells of a young person and a family at the end of an unraveling rope.

At four residential campuses, two homes for behaviorally troubled girls, a maternity home, a home for teenage mothers and their babies, therapeutic camping and model day care, 1,560 young people found help in troubled times last year.

During the past year BCH received $1.6 million through the Cooperative Program, and $752,000 through the Thanksgiving Offering. Total church gifts of $3.3 million comprised 18 percent of the nearly $18 million in revenue. Because of a positive investment environment, BCH investments of endowment funds provided 33 percent of revenue.

Two major priorities of the $10.1 million "Light Their Way" Campaign were dedicated: The Winifred Lindsay Education/Administrative Center at Odum Home in Pembroke on January 10, and the John D. and Amelia W. Johnson Cottage at Mills Home on May 12.

U.S. Congressman Mike McIntyre, co-chair of the Congressional Task Force for Responsible Fatherhood, spoke at the dedication of the Lindsay Center. He said BCH has the "purpose, people and passion" to successfully help children and families turn their lives around."

"When we reach out to our children we're making the best investment for tomorrow we could ever make for our country," he said.

Winifred Lee Herbert Lindsay, for whom the Lindsay Center is named, died November 21, 1997.

Primary funds for building Johnson Cottage were given by Phil and Sharon Drake, of Franklin, in memory of Sharon's father and in honor of her mother, a BCH trustee.

"God has given me more than I deserve," Drake said in a brief, emotional address at the dedication. He said giving money to build the cottage was the "easy part" compared to the cottage workers' task of making a difference in children's lives.

Michael C. Blackwell celebrated his 15th anniversary as president of BCH on July 1, 1998.

The video, "A Long Walk Home" is available to promote the 1998 Thanksgiving Offering, which has a statewide goal of $800,000, the largest ever.

Wherever children are hurting and families are strained, Baptist Children's Homes strive to heal. To secure a video, or a speaker for your church or civic

group, or to access services, call (800)476-3669.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

It's that time of year. The time to reflect on the work of the past year and to plan for the work of the coming year. The time to make adjustments. The time to compare our pluses and minuses. We've had plenty of both.

As I begin my seventh year as your director, and reflect on the past, I get a real sense of the greatness of God. I continue to stand amazed as I see the blessings of God revealed in and through the ministries of our association.

Our ministries this past year have been many and varied. Our goal is to minister in as many different areas as possible. The Prison Ministry of Mitchell Baptist Association is progressing nicely. This includes sponsoring a meal each Thanksgiving, monthly Steering Committee meetings and helping to sponsor a full-time chaplain on site. We are also continuing our ministry to the Senior Adults in our association. We do this with an annual Senior Adult Rally and monthly preaching services at the Senior Center.

We are very excited about the Youth Ministry in our association. Under the direction of Claudia Pittman, we have seen a dramatic increase in youth activities as well as church participation.

The January flood was probably the biggest news of the past year. Only eternity will reveal the efforts that were put forth, the donations that were made, and prayers that were prayed for and by the people of Mitchell and Avery Counties. I believe at that time, that more people than ever will finally understand what the term "association" really means.

In the spring, our association sponsored a mission trip to Mexico. The trip was very successful with approximately 40 professions of faith. We are also in the process of beginning a Multi-housing Ministry in our association. This will include Walnut Avenue, North Toe, and Feldspar Street apartments. We are working with the Baptist State Convention now to bring this about.

As you can see, the past year has been a busy one. Time and space prevent me from sharing everything in this report. But, this report is the least important part of my ministry. More important than anything is the assurance that God's will is being done. Pray that this will always be the case.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Daniel Whetstine

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program is the financial plan of the Southern Baptist Convention. It was begun in 1925. Through it, churches of the Convention support the work of their state conventions and the SBC.

When a Southern Baptist church gives money through the Cooperative

Program, it is combined with money from other churches. These funds support mission ministries in state conventions, in the nation, and finally throughout the far reaches of the world. In other words, through the Cooperative Program, one church is linked with 40,120 other churches of the Southern Baptist Convention to form a powerful team to carry out the mission Christ gave to His church.

The Cooperative Program begins with you and your church, and provides support for missions in your state, for 4,857 missionaries in the USA, and for over 4,000 missionaries residing in more that 130 countries and ministering in over 150 countries around the world.

The Bible teaches proportionate giving. As God blesses us He expects us to give more. The same applies to churches. As churches grow in size and maturity, their ability to support missions grows. God measures what we do in relation in our ability.

Lead your church to adopt a specific percentage of its undesignated budget receipts to be given through the Cooperative Program. Set a higher future percentage goal and increase each year toward this goal.

BLUE RIDGE YOUTH CENTER

My brothers and sisters in Christ, it has been a great year here at Blue Ridge Youth Center for the Lord Jesus Christ. I appreciate those who are supporting both prayerfully and financially, and am pleased to report that the ministry became full-time in March, 1998. Christ is working here in a very powerful way, and I am very excited about seeing all that He will accomplish.

After seeing 101 young men give their hearts to the Lord in 1997, so far in 1998, there have been 51 salvations, 149 rededications and 39 baptisms. Two staff members have also been saved. The Lord has sent some talented Christian community volunteers who are impacting the young men in a very positive way. They teach piano lessons, lead choir practice, tutor GED students, open the library and counsel one to one. Some volunteers also take inmates away from the unit on pass to approved events, such as church services or revivals.

Thank you again for all your support and prayers.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell Hoilman, Chaplain

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

It's is a joy for the Christian Action League of North Carolina to serve the churches of this great state. We continue to work to inform the Christian community about the moral issues that face our state and nation. Our goal is to address these issues with the principles of God's Word, the cornerstone of all truth.

Christian Values:
– It was the pleasure of the Christian Action League to be one of the sponsors of the Third Annual Christian Heritage Week of North Carolina held March 15-22. The League encouraged schools, churches and communities to recognize, commemorate and learn about the Christian heritage and history of our nation. Christian Action League sponsored a state-wide essay contest for high school students (public, private and home schools) and presented state winners with awards for excellence.
– Continued to promote Christian citizenship throughout the churches and communities of our state. CAL has distributed over 12,000 copies of the Ten Commandments to churches, businesses, schools and homes across North Carolina. Promoted Sanctity of Human Life Sunday and the National Day of Prayer statewide.
– Held a Church Leadership Legislative Day on June 23. The purpose of this day was to have pastors and church leaders to come together and enjoy fellowship, meet and hear some of our legislators and become more aware of how state government and the legislative process works.

Gambling:
– Lottery proponents continue in their efforts to bring a state-sponsored lottery to North Carolina. CAL monitors these efforts and updates the Christian community on lottery information through letters, calls and our fax and electronic mail networks. Lawmakers have continued to receive a barrage of communications from across the state saying that the lottery is a bad bet for North Carolina. CAL also monitored the work of the Legislative Study Committee on Bingo Regulations.

Sex Education:
– Worked with other Christian and pro-family groups to see that the state mandate for Abstinence Until Marriage education is implemented state-wide. Also, supported efforts to insure that federal grant money designated to promote abstinence education was used properly. Informed citizens and legislators concerning attempts to fund school-based clinics in North Carolina schools.

Abortion:
– CAL promoted HB 303 (Ban Partial Birth Abortion), HB 536 (Woman's Right to Know before Abortion) and HB 594 (Fetus Death from Criminal Act). We also encouraged lawmakers to maintain funding reductions and restrictions on the state abortion fund. These actions have resulted in only two qualifying abortions being paid with taxpayer funds in the last two years.

Alcohol:
– CAL monitored all legislation concerning alcohol and other drugs. Successfully supported efforts to strengthen DWI laws. Assisted communities in organizing committees to fight alcohol and drug use. Worked to defeat legislation that would have approved alcohol sales without the vote of the people. Provided awareness, education and resource materials related to substance abuse problems

to churches, communities, etc. CAL will host a national conference in September of the American Council on Alcohol Problems.

Pornography:
– Promoted and saw ratified SB 452-Local Regulation of Adult Establishments. This legislation gives more authority to local communities to regulate and control adult entertainment establishments.
Homosexuality:
– CAL supports efforts to strengthen the traditional family and continues to monitor and inform the public about the activities of those who promote the radical homosexual agenda. Successfully lobbied against legislation that would have made homosexuality legal in North Carolina. Offered the video, "On Wings Like Eagles", the testimony of deliverance from homosexuality by Michael Johnston of Kerruso Ministries.

Respectfully submitted,
Johnny R. Henderson, Executive Director
Joe S. Lennon, President

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Hospital Celebrates 75 years of service:

In May 1998, the North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated, celebrated 75 years of service to the community and the region. During these years the hospital has been faithful to the vision of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention when the hospital was birthed: to extend the healing ministry which was demonstrated by Jesus Christ. Many challenges have been faced through these years, but the commitment to compassionately strive for innovative excellence has remained the same.

Baptist Benevolent Care Fund:

Baptist churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual ingathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1997 the MDO amounted to $500,747. It was used exclusively to help patients who had little or no health care insurance or no other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From the offering this past year, well over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Baptist Churches in North Carolina. May God bless all those who supported us with prayers and gave so generously.

Division of Pastoral Care:

During the years the chaplains and staff of the Pastoral Care Department provide worship services in Davis Memorial Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday for patients and family members. The Pastoral Care Department staff supervised 64 students during the years and made more than 53,000 ministry contacts.

The Department of Pastoral Counseling, CareNet, Inc. continues to expand its ministries. There are now 13 Christian counseling centers located in strategic areas across the state. During the year these professionally staffed centers will provide over 26,000 hours of counseling.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc. continues to expand its mission of helping congregations become healthier communities of faith. Programs and assistance offered to churches include: Consultation, Intentional Interim Ministry, and Leadership development. Resources for ministers include: Young Leaders Program, Turning Point, Interim Ministry Training, Intentional Interim Ministry training.

Facts about Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center:
– With more than 10,000 employees, four restaurants, two banks and a post office that handles more mail than some towns, the Medical Center has been called a city-within-a-city.

– The Medical Center successfully proposed to Forsyth County Commissioners to purchase the county's indigent health care clinic, Reynolds Health Center. The Center also serves as a primary care training facility for our medical students and residents. Construction is expected to begin in the spring on a $5 million, state-of-the-art facility.
– Building strong relationships with community hospitals and other academic medical centers was a hallmark of the past year. Hospital and clinical affiliations grew to 22 by December '97.

Points of Emphasis and Progress:
ALS Center – Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center has opened a specialized center to provide coordinated care for patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), often referred to as Lou Gehrig's disease. The Medical Center's ALS program is the only center in western North Carolina devoted to ALS patients.

Trauma Center – The Medical Center has the designated Level I trauma center for northwest North Carolina. In the trauma center our goal is for the patient who needs surgery to be in an operating room 10 minutes after arriving at the Emergency Department. Surgeons, anesthesiologists and staff remain on duty 24 hours a day to handle such emergencies.

Tops In Research – According to a report in the February 1997 issue of "Applied Clinical Trials," Wake Forest University School of Medicine ranked in the top 10 U.S. clinical research institutions.

Ranked Among The Nation's Best – The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated is among the nation's best hospitals in nine of 17 specialties, according to rankings published in the July 1998 issue of "U.S. News & World Report."

New Heart Valve – Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center is one of the first centers in the country to offer a new "natural" valve replacement to patients with diseases or damaged aortic heart values. The Freestyle valve was tested extensively in six centers – including Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center – before being released for general use.

Newest Treatment For Epilepsy – Baptist Hospital offers a new treatment for epilepsy – a "pacemaker for the brain" that can help control seizures in patients who are not helped by medication and are ineligible for surgery.

Information And Appointments – For more information contact one of our operators (336)716-2011. To make an appointment with a physician, contact Health-On-Call at 1-800-446-2255.

A Closing Word – Seventy-five years ago the North Carolina Baptist State Convention gave us a directive to extend the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. For three-quarters of a century, we have sought to carry out this ministry of healing with compassion and integrity. Those who come here for care expect outcomes unachievable elsewhere. We must constantly rise to meet and exceed this expectation. Every patient and family member has a right to expect from us excellence in health care, delivered with compassion.

Respectfully submitted,
Len B. Preslar, Jr., President

STATE MISSIONS

Most of the North Carolina Missions Offering supports projects in the 80 associations (covering all 100 counties) across North Carolina. Many North Carolina Missions Offering projects are actually association/state missions programs receiving money and leadership support from both the Baptist State Convention and local associations.

For example, the Mitchell Association received approximately 10 percent of the 1997 special offering collected in the association. Last year, $981.11 of the $10,460.90 collected from 10 of the association's 35 churches was sent back to the association.

In addition to the money sent directly to the association, other offering monies were used in 1997 to finance mission projects in the associations. If the Mitchell Association received additional monies, they were disbursed as listed below:

$6,000.00 for Hispanic Ministry

In 1997 the North Carolina Missions Offering also supported NC Woman's Missionary Union, NC Baptist Men (Brotherhood) and many of the Missions Division's vital ministries. The number of individuals in the Mitchell Association who participated in these groups in 1997 includes:

2 boys to Camp Caraway
4 people to NC Baptist Men's Convention
6 people to NC WMU Associational Leadership Team Training

Churches giving to the 1997 special offering include: Altapass, Bakersville, Beaver Creek, Black Mountain, Central, Chestnut Grove, Lily Branch, McKinney Cove, Pine Branch and Spruce Pine, First.

The mission needs in North Carolina are substantial. Did you know that in North Carolina there are:

- more than 7.3 million residents
- more than 70,000 children with one or more parent in prison
- more than 25,000 prison inmates
- more than 50 different language groups
- nearly 200 children infected with the AIDS virus
- more than 70,000 seasonal farm workers
- more than 4.5 million people affected by recent disasters
- more than 3.6 million unchurched people

Also in North Carolina:

- more than 8.5 million tourists visit our resort areas each year
- language groups are the fastest growing populations
- our state hosts the largest seminary extension program in the Southern Baptist Convention
- 1,500 new church starts are needed to help reach the unchurched people.

"Little is Much: Make A Difference"
Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions
September 13-20, 1998
Statewide Goal: $2.2 million
NC Missions Prayer Line: 1-800-395-5102, ext. 800

ANNUITY BOARD

The Church Annuity Plan is a retirement program designed exclusively for Southern Baptist ministers and church employees. The cooperation and support of your state convention lets you develop a program to meet your individual financial security needs...with unique features you won't find in any other plan!

The Church Annuity Plan lets you choose from a variety of investment choices. The Annuity Board contracts with highly-rated investment managers and carefully monitors their performance.

You tailor contributions to fit your situation. Both you and your church can contribute. The variety of investment choices allows you to adopt an investment strategy you are comfortable with. As circumstances change, you can alter your investment strategy; moving money among the investment strategy; moving money among the investment choices and redirecting your contributions. When you reach retirement, you choose from a broad range of payment options for receiving your benefits.

Any person in paid ministerial or non-ministerial employment with a church recognized by the state convention may participate in the Plan. Each state convention determines which churches and participants are eligible to receive contributions from the state convention.

You may call the Annuity Board through a toll-free number – 1-800-262-0511. You have automated 24-hour access to such information as retirement plan investment descriptions and performances, your retirement plan account balance, the current annuity funding rate and insurance plan descriptions. The value of Annuity Board funds now is calculated daily to account for changes in the stock and fixed-income markets. Daily valuation allows the Annuity Board to offer up-to-date account information, fund performance, and/or net asset value information, faster processing of transfer requests, timely investment of contributions, and transaction processing.

Your Annuity Board Plan is a powerful investment tool, but you have to put it to work.

At present Mitchell Association has 13 pastors and staff members involved in the Annuity Board's Plan.

INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD

Based in Richmond, Virginia, the International Mission Board (formerly the Foreign Mission Board) of the Southern Baptist Convention sends missionaries to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of people around the world.

Currently the mission board has more than 4,000 missionaries assigned to more than 133 countries in almost every part of the world.

About 420 people work at the home office in Richmond, a nearby satellite location, and a missionary learning center in Rockville, Virginia.

The board's main objective is presenting the gospel of Jesus Christ and leading individuals to a personal faith in Him. Ministries in Christian leadership training, print and electronic media, and church starting support that goal. But a conviction to minister to the whole person also leads to work in health care and human needs.

The board will release more than $6.6 million for hunger and relief work this year.

The International Mission Board is an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention, which, with more than 15 million members, is the nation's largest non-Catholic Christian denomination. The board maintains the world's largest evangelical career mission force with headquarters in the United States.

The IMB's 1998 budget is slightly more than $210 million, with the largest portion of the funds coming from a single missions offering collected annually at Christmas. Called the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, it provides 47 percent of the board's budget and is used exclusively for overseas budget needs.

The Southern Baptist Convention's unified giving plan, called the Cooperative Program, provides about 36 percent of the budget. The balance of support comes from designated gifts, income from temporary investment of funds and endowment.

Overseas work is handled primarily by career missionaries, though in recent years increasing numbers of volunteers have added greatly to the board's effectiveness in special projects. In 1997, more than 17,200 volunteers spent from a few days to four months working alongside career missionaries.

The International Mission Board's history, and it's connection to Richmond, began with the inception of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845. The slavery issue had driven a wedge between Baptists from the North and South. Southerners became convinced they had been shut out of missions when the existing mission society refused to appoint missionaries who were slave owners.

Virginia Baptists called for a convention in Augusta, Georgia, in May 1845. The primary purpose was to explore the option of forming a separate missions society. When the meetings concluded, the Southern Baptist Convention had been born. But missions remained the primary reason for its existence. Both international and domestic mission boards were established, with the international board to be located in Richmond.

On the evening of June 15, 1846, the new International Mission Board held its first missionary commissioning service at Second Baptist Church in Richmond. Since then, more than 12,000 Southern Baptists have felt God leading them to international missions service and have turned their backs on the comforts of home to spread the message of Jesus Christ in other countries.

Missionaries appointed today reflect the growing ethnic and racial diversity of the Southern Baptist Convention. And national Baptist conventions worldwide are now expanding the international missionary force by developing mission boards of their own.

Nearly 87% of the board's income is used to support more than 4,300 missionaries serving in 133 countries. Only 13.5% of the budget is used for stateside administration, promotion, education and fundraising.

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD

History

Created as an SBC agency in 1997 by combining three former agencies – Brotherhood Commission, Radio and Television Commission, and Home Mission Board.

Assist SBC churches in reaching the United State, Canada, the Caribbean, Guam, and American Samoa for Christ, primarily through evangelism and starting churches.

Missionary Force

Partners with 40 Baptist state conventions/fellowships to support almost 5,000 missionaries in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean, Guam, and Samoa.

Annual budget of more than $90 million from SBC Cooperative Program and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

From studios in Fort Worth, NAMB produces five weekly radio programs aired on 2,600 radio stations, and daily and weekly TV programs carried on two networks – ACTS and Family Net – reaching a potential global audience of more than 700 million people.

Other Resources and Ministries

– 2,500 SBC-endorsed chaplains

– 82,000 volunteers, including 2,200 two-year Mission Service Corps volunteers
– Provides resources for missions education.
– Coordinates multistate disaster relief response.

Ministry Assignments

– Assist churches by the appointment and support of missionaries in the United States and Canada.
– Assist churches in the ministry of evangelism.
– Assist churches in the establishment of new congregations.
– Assist churches through Christian social ministries
– Assist churches through the involvement and coordination of their members in volunteer missions throughout the United States and Canada.
– Assist churches by involving their members in missions and mission education.
– Assist churches by communicating the gospel throughout the United States and Canada through communications technologies.
– Assist churches by strengthening associations and providing services to associations.
– Assist churches in relief ministries to victims of disaster.

The agency will support missionary and local church efforts by giving increased attention to evangelism, church planting, and evangelistic ministries in major cities, on campuses, and among every people and language group in our assigned area. Our efforts will be undergirded with national prayer support and the most technologically advanced media resources available.

YOUTH SUMMER PROJECTS

The Mitchell Baptist Association has been host to six mission teams throughout the summer. Teams of adults and youth have worked in several different ministry opportunities ranging from carpentry and construction projects for senior citizens to serving at the Blue Ridge Youth Center. Each team participated in "After Church in the Park" held each Sunday night at Riverside Park. Youth worked at Buck Hill Campground and at Bear Den, providing praise and worship services, Backyard Bible Clubs, and personal witnessing to campers. Each team taught at Summer Day Camp at Pinebridge Center, and worked throughout the complex preparing for upcoming Youth Retreat areas. During the course of the summer, at least 20 professions of faith were made in different ministry projects.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Pittman

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION

The Council on Christian Higher Education was founded by the Convention in 1944. It was established to assist colleges and churches within the Convention. The Council does not exercise any authority over the Baptist colleges. The competent leadership of trustees, administrators, and faculty guide them as they fulfill their missions. It does, however, study and recommend to the General Board in matters related to Baptist colleges and the Baptist State Convention.

Four men have led the Council as Executive Director. Claude Gaddy served as the Council's founding leader. Harold Cole served briefly. Ben Fisher succeeded him. T. Robert Mullinax joined the Council in 1971. Mullinax retired this year from the post he has faithfully guided for 27 years.

The Council and Executive Committee of the General Board invited Wayne D. Wike to become the Council's fifth leader. Wike comes to his post from the pastorate. He has served four North Carolina churches as pastor.

He and his wife, Debbie, are alumni of Gardner-Webb University. In addition, he is a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Union Theological Seminary.

Wike has already served North Carolina Baptists in a number of ways. He served on the Committee on Committees, Chaired the Committee on Nominations, and Chaired the General Board Membership Study Committee.

Council members have greatly assisted each one of these leaders through the years. The college presidents, provosts, and chairmen of Boards of Trustees, along with an equal number of General Board members, serve as members of the Council.

The strength of the Council lies in its voluntary concept of community rather than competition. The Council has proven to be a mediating influence in relating the colleges to each other, to the church, and to the Convention.

The Council is currently involved in strategy planning. It is seeking to prepare for the new millennium. The future holds great promise. The Council and its member colleges want to be prepared for it. The Baptist churches in North Carolina will benefit as a result.

Campbell University - Norman Wiggins, President
Opened January 5, 1887 as Buies Creek Academy.

Chowan College - Stanley G. Lott, President
Founded and opened for students as Chowan Female Institute, October 11, 1848.

Gardner-Webb University - M. Christopher White, President
First chartered as Boiling Spring High School, December 2, 1905.
Became Gardner-Webb University on January 1, 1993

Mars Hill College - A. Max Lennon, President
First Commencement as French Broad Baptist Institute, July 4, 1856.
Chartered as Mars Hill College, February 16, 1859

Meredith College - John E. Weems, President
Incorporated as Baptist Female University of NC, February 27, 1891

Became Meredith College by legislative enactment, January 24, 1911.

Wake Forest University - Thomas K. Hern, President

Opened as Wake Forest Institute, February 3, 1834

Became Wake Forest University, June 12, 1967.

Wingate University - Jerry E. McGee, President

Authorized as Wingate School of Union Baptist Association, 1895. Became Wingate University in 1995.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ALTAPASS: Mrs. Effie Ballard, Mrs. Texie Biddix, Mrs. Janette Buchanan, Mr. Fred Hefner

BEAR CREEK: Mr. Mack McKinney, Mr. Carl Buchanan (Deacon), Mrs. Belle Greene

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BERRY CHAPEL: Mrs. Nettie Duncan, Mrs. Maggie Love, Mr. Harvey J. Miller, Mr. Vince Waycaster, Mrs. Zeola Biddix

CALVARY: Mr. Van Staton, Mrs. Essie Burleson

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CHESTNUT GROVE: Mr. Guy Burnette

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Linville	28646
Little Switzerland	28749
Marion	28752
Mars Hill	28754
Memphis, TN	38104
Micaville	28755
Nashville, TN	37234
Newland	28657
Richmond, VA	23230
Spruce Pine	28777
Weaverville	28787

*HISTORICAL TABLE

DATE	PLACE	MODERATOR	CLERK	ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON
1971	Silver Chapel/Cane Creek	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel/Robert E. Seatz
1972	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland/N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mountain/Pine Branch	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig/Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill/Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele/John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis/R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Creek/S.P. First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton/Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel/Beaver Creek	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps/Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Branch/Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield/Lee Ayers
1979	Snow Hill/Roan Mountain	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan/Gerold Grindstaff
1980	S.P. First/Mine Creek	Maurice Gilliam	M.W. Blanton	Jim Gore/Earl Henry
1981	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Astor Buchanan/Jim Mizell
1982	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Howard Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Stuart White/Jack Callahan
1983	Liberty Hill/Berry Chapel	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Don Stafford/Ernest Howell
1984	Bear Creek/Pine Branch	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Frank Blevins/Jay Orr
1985	Crabtree Chapel/Altapass	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	Garland Higgins/Sam Brewer
1986	Mt. Carmel/S.P. First	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	James Lankford
1987	Bear Creek/Grassy Creek	Walter Ponder	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff
1988	Berry Chapel/Roan Mountain	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Walter Ponder
1989	Liberty Hill/Bakersville	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Sibbald Lambert
1990	Bear Creek/Altapass	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Dallas Renfro
1991	Mount Carmel/Crabtree Chapel	Larry Greene	Judy Greer	Astor Buchanan/Bob McCurry
1992	Liberty Hill/Cane Creek	Charles Murrell	Judy Greer	Steve Sisk/William Whitfield
1993	Freedom/Silver Chapel	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Martin Fisher/George Gouge
1994	Pine Branch/Snow Hill	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Erby McKinney/David Troutman
1995	Bear Creek/Altapass	Dallas Renfro	Judy Greer	George Gouge/Tom Watson
1996	Beaver Creek/Roan Mountain	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff/Russell McKinney
1997	Mount Carmel/Cane Creek	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Mark McKinney/Fred Proctor
1998	Pine Branch/Berry Chapel	David Troutman	Judy Greer	Matthew Stephens/Kenneth Gaskin

*Partial List - For complete list, consult 1995 Minutes.

STATISTICAL TABLES

MEMBER AND CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

1 - Total Membership
2 - Resident Membership
4 - Other Additions
5 - New Member Training
6 - Year Organized
7 - Year Pastor Came
8 - Location (A-J)
9 - AM Worship Att.
10 - Church-Type Missions Started
11 - Church-Type Missions Operating
12 - Lost/Unchurched
13 - Assoc. Mis. on % Basis
14 - Intercessory Prayer
Racial Ethnic Group (1-7)

CONGREGATION	C/M	COUNTY	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Race
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	Mitchell	317	298	9	5	1925	1987	A	150	0	1	Y	Y	Y	1
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	Mitchell	736	612	19	4	1830	1988	A	355	0	0	N	Y	N	1
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	Mitchell	267	184	0	0	1906	1994	A	69	0	0	N	Y	N	1
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	Mitchell	512	437	4	4	1934	1991	C	184	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	Mitchell	208	172	3	0	1925	1988	A	58	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	Mitchell	49	45	0	0	1849	1983	A	38	0	0	Y	N	N	1
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	Mitchell	42	7	0	0	1872		A	12	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	Mitchell	140	110	4	0	1949	1991	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	Mitchell	121	121	0	0	1869	1994	A	61	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	Mitchell	268	214	6	0	1932	1996	C	90	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	Mitchell	199	119	1	7	1923		A	69	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	Yancey	214	214	3	0	1966	1996	A	64	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	Mitchell	147	81	5	0	1861		A	35	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	Mitchell	279	279	19	0	1988	1989	A	175	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	Mitchell	591	417	5	12	1818	1987	C	173	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	Mitchell	110	83	0	0	1955		A	35	0	0	N	N	N	1
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	Mitchell	440	362	24	24	1866	1997	A	125	0	0	Y	N	N	1
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	Mitchell	231	173	3	0	1859	1995	A	85	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	Mitchell	60	59	8	0	1887	1997	A	37	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	Mitchell	121	107	5	0	1888	1992	C	52	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	Mitchell	121	109	6	3	1849	1997	A	45	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	Mitchell	425	164	16	0	1925	1994	C	110	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	Mitchell	50	28	3	1	1932	1998	A	26	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	Mitchell	549	427	7	2	1921	1995	C	176	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	Mitchell	239	173	2	0	1813	1993	A	58	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	Mitchell	157	119	2	0	1885	1998	A	60	0	0	N	Y	N	1
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	Mitchell	218	215	4	0	1915	1989	A	126	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	Mitchell	156	143	0	0	1916	1975	A	100	0	0	Y	N	N	1
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	Mitchell	558	398	17	4	1908	1998	C	209	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	Mitchell	50	50	0	0	1916	1978	A	21	0	0	N	N	N	1
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	Mitchell	125	54	0	0	1884	1991	A	45	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
		Association Total:	7,700	5,974	175	66				2,903	0	1				

BAPTISM INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

3 - Total Baptisms
3a - Baptisms Under 6
3b - Baptisms Age 6-8
3c - Baptisms Age 9-11
3d - Baptisms Age 12-17
3e - Baptisms Age 18-29
3f - Baptisms Age 30-59
3g - Baptisms 60-Up

CONGREGATION	C/M	3	3a	3b	3c	3d	3e	3f	3g
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	7	0	1	3	0	1	2	0
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	5	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	5	0	0	3	1	1	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	5	0	2	3	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	4	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	5	0	0	1	1	0	3	0
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	3	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	7	0	1	3	1	1	1	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	12	0	4	2	0	3	3	0
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	15	1	8	2	1	1	2	0
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	7	0	0	4	0	1	2	0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	7	0	0	1	2	2	2	0
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	4	0	0	1	2	0	1	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	10	0	5	2	0	1	2	0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	4	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
	Association Total:	126	1	29	41	17	13	24	1

BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

15 - Total SS Enrollment
15a - Preschool Birth-5
15b - Children 6-11
15c - Youth 12-17
15d - Adults 18-24
15e - Adults 25-34
15f - Adults 35-54
15g - Adults 55-Up
15h - General Officers
15i - Other Bible Study
16 - SS Avg Weekly Att.
17 - SS Not Cong. Members
18 - Vacation Bible School

CONGREGATION	C/M	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15e	15f	15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	124	10	17	14	12	9	15	22	25	0	79	10	109
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	424	14	40	42	84	64	92	79	9	0	330	8	181
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	69	10	7	4	3	0	0	43	2	0	48	0	56
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	209	20	25	24	7	16	50	55	5	7	135	20	166
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	81	5	16	5	16	14	13	10	2	0	79	5	59
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	42	3	5	4	8	7	13	2	0	0	41	3	48
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	17	2	1	0	0	2	0	7	5	0	12	1	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	82	8	6	8	3	13	18	25	1	0	55	0	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	75	5	8	6	4	10	24	18	0	0	60	6	50
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	146	13	20	14	13	21	30	30	5	0	73	6	50
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	107	9	20	10	9	6	15	35	3	0	50	0	44
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	66	6	6	4	8	10	18	9	5	0	54	5	66
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	48	6	2	0	7	8	5	14	6	0	20	0	24
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	162	20	30	24	10	25	23	26	4	0	110	0	126
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	325	37	34	12	19	21	33	76	8	85	255	5	168
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	68	2	8	6	8	8	22	9	5	0	30	3	27
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	173	14	18	20	30	28	32	25	6	0	109	0	68
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	80	6	2	9	8	8	19	24	4	0	54	0	51
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	48	3	0	4	10	19	2	10	0	0	45	15	63
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	81	5	10	25	4	0	27	10	0	0	50	0	92
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	90	15	6	12	10	8	8	20	11	0	85	13	80
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	140	17	20	15	7	8	20	50	3	0	84	10	104
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	23	2	3	3	2	0	7	6	0	0	23	2	6
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	198	14	16	25	13	23	48	48	7	4	145	5	156
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	99	6	14	17	5	3	22	30	2	0	58	0	38
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	70	4	4	8	6	9	10	25	4	0	54	0	25
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	189	9	16	10	12	15	42	36	14	35	50	14	65
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	125	8	11	11	13	18	23	33	8	0	98	9	62
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	263	16	41	32	20	0	101	44	9	0	162	0	104
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	27	4	0	2	4	7	0	10	0	0	21	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	40	2	3	10	6	0	8	11	0	0	38	0	68
Association Total:		3,691	295	409	380	361	380	740	842	153	131	2,507	140	2,156

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

19 - Total Ongoing Discipleship Training
19a - Ongoing Presch. B-5
19b - Ongoing Child. 6-11
19c - Ongoing Youth 12-17
19d - Ongoing Adult 18-Up
19e - DT Gen. Officers
20 - Total Short-Term DT
20a - Short-Term Preschool
20b - Short-Term Children
20c - Short-Term Youth
20d - Short-Term Adults - Gen. Officers
DTEN(19+20) - Total DT Enrollment/Participation

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	19	0	2	0	15	2	0	0	0	0	0	19
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	130	7	14	12	88	9	24	0	7	0	17	154
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	23	0	0	20	0	3	37	0	15	13	9	60
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	40	4	5	8	19	4	10	0	5	5	0	50
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	33	2	2	2	25	2	0	0	0	0	0	33
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	129	13	33	20	63	129
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	1	10	16	0	27
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	28	2	2	6	16	2	31	0	3	0	28	59
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	24	0	4	3	15	2	0	0	0	0	0	24
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	21	0	2	1	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	50	7	9	15	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	50
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	12	42	8	4	66
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	4	3	2	9
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	20	2	0	2	15	1	7	0	5	2	0	27
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	31	0	0	26	5	0	79	0	11	0	68	110
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	20	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Association Total:		**439**	**24**	**40**	**95**	**253**	**27**	**419**	**26**	**135**	**67**	**191**	**858**

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

21- Total Music Ministry Enrollment
21a - Preschool 3-5 yrs.
21b - Children 6-11 yrs.
21c - Youth 12-17 yrs.
21d - Adult Choir 18-Up
21e - Other Music Groups

CONGREGATION	C/M	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	62	4	6	5	35	12
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	140	10	15	20	75	20
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	36	3	4	5	16	8
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	90	10	15	25	35	5
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	46	0	10	6	24	6
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	34	5	3	0	26	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	45	7	6	4	20	8
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	34	0	3	6	25	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	25	0	2	3	20	0
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	20	6	0	2	12	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	47	2	10	0	35	0
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	94	9	25	14	41	5
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	23	2	5	0	16	0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	71	0	19	7	32	13
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	26	0	2	4	20	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	39	9	0	0	30	0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	50	3	4	4	34	5
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	33	0	0	0	30	3
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	9	0	2	3	4	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	111	12	42	18	33	6
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	45	0	15	0	22	8
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	22	0	0	2	20	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	43	5	7	14	17	0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	6	0	0	0	0	6
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	99	15	12	19	34	19
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	30	0	0	5	25	0
Association Total:		**1,280**	**102**	**207**	**166**	**681**	**124**

MISSIONS EDUCATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

23 - Total WMU Enrollment | 23a - Ages Birth-5 | 23b - Ages 6-11 | 23c - Ages 12-17 | 23d - Ages 18-Up | 23e - WMU Ldrshp Team | 24 - Total Brotherhood Enrollment | 24a - Ages 6-11 | 24b - Ages 12-17 | 24c - Ages 18-Up | 24d - Mission Action Groups | 25 - Oth. Missions Education

CONGREGATION	C/M	23	23a	23b	23c	23d	23e	24	24a	24b	24c	24d	25
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	15	1	5	6	0	3	9	3	5	1	0	5
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	73	10	15	13	29	6	46	15	9	12	10	0
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	101	20	15	40	18	8	47	15	0	22	10	0
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	28	5	15	3	0	5	11	8	0	0	3	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	11	0	0	0	9	2	15	0	0	15	0	0
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	25	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	33	0	0	0	26	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	5	0	0	0	4	1	6	0	0	6	0	0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	31	0	3	8	16	4	44	2	3	10	29	4
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	12	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	9	0	5	0	2	2	4	4	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	35	6	9	5	10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	20	0	5	0	15	0	23	0	0	23	0	6
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	95	12	14	12	56	1	61	18	12	10	21	1
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	17	0	6	0	8	3	7	0	0	7	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	94	3	6	16	62	7	51	9	12	25	5	0
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	9	0	0	0	8	1	17	1	0	6	10	0
Association Total:		**624**	**57**	**98**	**103**	**310**	**56**	**341**	**75**	**41**	**137**	**88**	**16**

GENERAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

26 - Undesignated Gifts
27 - Designated Gifts
28 - Other Receipts
TREC(26+27+28) - Total Receipts
36 - Value - Cong. Property
37 - Congregational Debt

CONGREGATION	C/M	26	27	28	TREC	36	37
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	$99,703	$35,288	$0	$134,991	$400,000	$0
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	$281,845	$29,174	$0	$311,019	$1,600,000	$0
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	$52,260	$11,080	$2,715	$66,055	$700,000	$1,708
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	$124,557	$16,747	$0	$141,304	$950,000	$10,504
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	$46,313	$7,583	$0	$53,896	$150,500	$0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	$20,428	$180	$0	$20,608	$150,000	$0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	$14,538	$0	$0	$14,538	$205,000	$0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	$8,900	$41,232	$0	$50,132	$260,000	$0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	$34,341	$15,567	$0	$49,908	$200,000	$0
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	$100,999	$21,372	$5,804	$128,175	$1,000,000	$0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	$50,885	$10,488	$0	$61,373	$130,000	$17,337
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	$13,448	$0	$0	$13,448	$150,000	$2,469
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	$113,574	$51,221	$0	$164,795	$300,000	$0
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	$156,032	$72,908	$2,825	$231,765	$600,000	$0
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	$5,000	$2,500	$0	$7,500	$460,000	$0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	$91,001	$6,000	$0	$97,001	$600,000	$0
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	$76,648	$25,438	$0	$102,086	$600,000	$0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	$47,618	$12,202	$0	$59,820	$238,000	$0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	$65,322	$6,993	$0	$72,315	$250,000	$0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	$35,000	$3,000	$0	$38,000	$350,000	$0
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	$75,419	$10,757	$0	$86,176	$420,000	$0
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	$2,940	$4,061	$0	$7,001	$50,000	$0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	$148,321	$34,081	$6,801	$189,203	$1,040,000	$0
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	$62,380	$7,963	$1,921	$72,264	$300,000	$0
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	$51,214	$16,679	$5,033	$72,926	$250,000	$0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	$47,773	$1,338	$0	$49,111	$200,000	$0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	$72,321	$0	$0	$72,321	$210,000	$0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	$279,929	$118,743	$40,809	$439,481	$2,500,000	$86,000
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	$936	$200	$7,308	$8,444	$77,000	$0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	$30,568	$1,768	$0	$32,336	$210,000	$3,000
Association Total:		$2,210,213	$564,563	$73,216	$2,847,992	$14,550,500	$121,018

MISSION FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Items Reported:

29 - Cooperative Program
30 - Assoc. Missions
31 - State Missions
32 - Annie Armstrong
33 - Lottie Moon
34 - Other SBC Miss. Exp.
35 - Non-SBC Miss. Exp.
TME(29thru35) - Total Mission Expenditures

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	TME
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	$5,441	$2,963	$0	$1,100	$3,275	$4,950	$12,515	$30,244
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	$17,500	$4,000	$3,000	$3,540	$20,000	$10,750	$71,247	$130,037
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	$2,418	$1,936	$2,418	$470	$633	$1,016	$1,675	$10,566
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	$7,754	$3,470	$0	$140	$891	$0	$2,896	$15,151
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	$153	$1,854	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$2,007
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	$1,005	$727	$217	$200	$0	$100	$1,200	$3,449
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	$0	$709	$992	$0	$812	$1,982	$0	$4,495
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	$600	$1,095	$940	$780	$1,334	$0	$0	$4,749
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	$9,059	$1,702	$746	$1,404	$2,448	$3,327	$5,773	$24,459
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	$2,320	$837	$0	$401	$500	$0	$9,585	$13,643
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	$50	$1,000	$0	$100	$0	$0	$0	$1,150
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	$0	$2,446	$5,101	$2,314	$3,195	$4,082	$5,142	$22,280
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	$15,574	$3,700	$0	$3,601	$5,493	$904	$6,214	$35,486
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	$1,500	$1,400	$0	$500	$1,000	$0	$0	$4,400
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	$2,400	$1,800	$0	$403	$1,644	$0	$0	$6,247
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	$8,518	$3,484	$2,376	$3,514	$4,260	$4,396	$4,948	$31,496
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	$0	$1,264	$0	$0	$0	$7,867	$0	$9,131
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	$1,500	$990	$390	$728	$1,417	$300	$500	$5,825
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	$0	$900	$250	$250	$250	$0	$0	$1,650
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	$3,743	$2,264	$3,018	$500	$1,713	$755	$3,749	$15,742
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	$14,941	$3,701	$907	$1,263	$10,000	$570	$5,333	$36,715
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	$5,697	$2,319	$0	$1,682	$1,828	$1,486	$3,373	$16,385
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	$1,600	$2,572	$625	$1,667	$3,000	$0	$10,100	$19,564
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	$3,530	$1,177	$400	$400	$640	$600	$0	$6,747
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	$0	$480	$0	$0	$0	$0	$5,070	$5,550
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	$21,650	$600	$2,146	$941	$1,084	$8,423	$33,352	$68,196
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$200	$0	$0	$200
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	$0	$700	$0	$200	$302	$3,000	$200	$4,402
Association Total:		**$126,953**	**$50,090**	**$23,526**	**$26,098**	**$65,919**	**$54,508**	**$182,872**	**$529,966**

MISSIONS INVOLVEMENT

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

22 - Miss. Proj. Part.
22a - Local Community
22b - State/National
22c - International

CONGREGATION	C/M	22	22a	22b	22c
ALTAPASS, SPRUCE PIN	C	15	11	2	2
BEAR CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	2	0	0	2
BEAVER CREEK, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL, SPRUCE	C	45	20	25	0
BIG CRABTREE, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK, BAKE	C	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN, LT.	C	0	0	0	0
CALVARY, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL, SPRUCE PINE	C	25	10	15	0
CHESTNUT GROVE, LT.	C	40	40	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL, SPR	C	0	0	0	0
FORK MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM, SPRUCE PINE	C	50	30	20	0
GRASSY CREEK, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0
LEDGER, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY HILL, SPRUCE	C	42	29	11	2
LILY BRANCH, BAKERSV	C	10	8	2	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK, BAKERSVI	C	9	5	3	1
MOUNT CARMEL, SPRUCE	C	0	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH, SPRUCE	C	66	55	8	3
ROAN MOUNTAIN, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL, BAKER	C	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL, BAKERSVIL	C	0	0	0	0
SPRING CREEK, BAKERS	C	0	0	0	0
SPRUCE PINE FIRST	C	64	40	14	10
TOECANE, BAKERSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK, BAKERSVIL	C	15	0	15	0
Association Total:		**383**	**248**	**115**	**20**

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Grassy Creek Baptist Church
Spruce Pine, NC

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Spruce Pine, NC
August 28, 2000

Lily Branch Baptist Church
Bakersville, NC
August 29, 2000

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DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Director of Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Rt. 2, Box 1018, Burnsville
Moderator ..... Rev. Steve Williams
3171 Snow Creek Rd., Bakersville
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Martin Fisher
676 Henry Worley Lane, Marshall
Clerk ..... Judy Greer
140 Hill St., Spruce Pine
Treasurer ..... Rev. & Mrs. Mark McKinney
5253 NC 80, Bakersville
Historian ..... Buster Sparks
251 Ledger School Rd., Bakersville
Sunday School Director ..... Chris Renfro
P.O. Box 143, Spruce Pine
Brotherhood Director ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
160 Rabbit Hop Rd., Spruce Pine
W.M.U. Director ..... Marlene Ayers
1302 Green Young Cemetery Rd., Bakersville
Church Music Director ..... Oscar Horrell
Rt. 5, Box 353A, Bakersville
Evangelism Chairman ..... Rev. Steve Williams
3171 Snow Creek Rd., Bakersville
Missions Committee Chairman ..... Rev. Greg Hollifield
248 Chapel St., Spruce Pine
Seminary Extension Chairman ..... Rev. John Chick
723 Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
Youth ..... Rev. Dean Honeycutt
2609 Henson Creek Rd., Newland
Bible Drill Director ..... Martha Burleson
342 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville

ASSOCIATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Moderator/Evangelism Director ..... Rev. Steve Williams
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Martin Fisher
Clerk ..... Judy Greer
Treasurer ..... Rev. & Mrs. Mark McKinney
Sunday School Director ..... Chris Renfro
WMU Director ..... Marlene Ayers
Brotherhood Director ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Historian ..... Buster Sparks

W.M.U. DIRECTORY

W.M.U. Director ..... Marlene Ayers
1302 Green Young Cemetery Rd., Bakersville
Secretary ..... Nora Nell Jarrett
4680 Hwy. 226 South, Bakersville
G.A. Director ..... Amy Ellis
Rt. 1, Box 707, Spruce Pine
Acteens Director ..... Susie Buchanan
P.O. Box 891, Spruce Pine
Women on Mission ..... Nina Buchanan
1019 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
Missions Consultant ..... Beulah Burleson
614 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine

PASTORS' CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President ..... Rev. Martin Fisher
676 Henry Worley Lane, Marshall
Vice-President ..... Rev. Greg Hollifield
248 Chapel St., Spruce Pine
Secretary/Treasurer ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
160 Rabbit Hop Rd., Spruce Pine

COMMITTEES FOR THE 1999-2000 SESSION

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2000 ..... Greg Hollifield, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. John Chick
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Rev. Martin Fisher

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Dean Honeycutt
..... Rev. Steve Williams, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
..... Rev. David Troutman
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Rev. Fred Proctor
..... Rev. Jay Orr

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Mark McKinney
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Frank Fox

SEMINARY EXTENSION

Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. John Chick, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Rev. Don Ford

ORDINATION EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Max Holland
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Steve Sisk
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Rev. Bob McKinney
Plus the Moderator, the Director of Missions, and the Candidate's pastor.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2000 ..... Rev. Monroe Cooke, Chairman
Term Expiring 2001 ..... Alvin Livingston
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Monroe Bridges

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

	North	Central	South
Term Expiring 2000	Louise McKinney Roan Mountain	Reed Burleson Ledger	Jack Riddle Grassy Creek
Term Expiring 2001	Rev. Dallas Renfro Little Rock Creek	Rev. Ken Murphy Mine Creek	Kenny Burleson Berry Chapel
Term Expiring 2002	Tony Honeycutt Big Rock Creek	Rev. Steve Williams Lily Branch	Phillip Henline Beaver Creek

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the listed Associational officers, all pastors, and the following elected by the churches.)

BEAR CREEK ..... Leonard Wiggins
109 Church Rd., Bakersville

BERRY CHAPEL ..... Ray Young
425 Cabin Rd., Spruce Pine
CENTRAL ..... Taylor Puckett
482 Dale Rd., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
729 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine
FREEDOM ..... Stacy Thomas
326 Thomas Rd., Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK ..... Ken Hollifield
Rt. 1, Box 887, Spruce Pine
LIBERTY HILL ..... Max Cabe
125 Cliff Buchanan, Rd., Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH ..... Reece Brinkley
4157 Snow Creek Rd., Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK ..... Tommie L. Edwards
184 Snowdrift Dr., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL ..... Avery Buchanan
96 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST ..... Jean Warren
7 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine
VISION MISSIONARY ..... Michael Garrison
146 Kelly Hunter Rd., Mars Hill

SERMONS FOR 2000 SESSIONS

Monday ..... Rev. John Chick
Alternate - Rev. Jay Orr
Tuesday ..... Rev. Martin Fisher
Alternate - Rev. Dallas Renfro

TRUSTEES

Lee Sparks, Alvin Livingston, Walter Hoyle, Windle Young

MINISTERS ORDAINED DURING THE YEAR

GRASSY CREEK ..... Rev. Robert (Bobby) Sanders
Nashville, TN

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. John Chick - Chairman, Rev. Martin Fisher, Rev. Russell McKinney

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Howard Buchanan - Chairman, Rev. Steve Sisk, Rev. Bob McKinney

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff - Chairman, Rev. Steve Williams, Rev. David Johnson

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Greg Hollifield - Chairman, Rev. Monroe Cooke, Rev. Dallas Renfro

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

ALTAPASS: Rev. Steve Sisk, Carol Sisk, Gladys Saxon, Ray Saxon, Iris Burleson, Chucky Pendley, Billy Matthews, Lois Matthews, LouAnn Byrd
BEAR CREEK: Rev. Max Holland, Rev. Howard Buchanan, Kathleen Buchanan, James Miller, Marie Miller, Buster Sparks, Irene Sparks
BEAVER CREEK: Rev. John Chick, Phillip Henline, Mary Henline, Anna Mae Carpenter, Beulah Burleson, Mona Carpenter
BERRY CHAPEL: Mary Stafford, Edna Grabowski, Lizzie Woody, Jeanette Woody, Faye Woody, Betty Carpenter, Judy Greer, Lou Jenkins
BIG CRABTREE: Rev. Dean Honeycutt, Dora Willis, Claude Willis
BIG ROCK CREEK: Angela Honeycutt, Tony Honeycutt
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Howard Forbes
CALVARY: Rev. Don Stafford, Elden M. Cooke, LeElla Cooke, Helen Beaver, William Davis, Susan Davis
CANE CREEK: Rev. Mark McKinney
CENTRAL: Monroe Bridges, Taylor Puckett, Nancy Burleson
CHESTNUT GROVE: Rev. Richard Hollifield, Nellie Waycaster
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Rev. Fred Proctor, Lillian Sparks, Brian Whitson, Kristie Whitson, Beulah McKinney, Richard McKinney, Anthony Renfro, Ted Sparks, Charles Allen, Mrs. Charlie Renfro
FORK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Monroe Cooke, Lisa Cooke
FREEDOM: Rev. David Troutman, Susan Troutman, Jacque Hughes, Carol Edwards, Faye Howell, Naomi Dellinger, Kenneth Pritchard, Rose Ella Smith, Gladys Burleson
FRIENDSHIP: Rev. Bob McKinney, Gail McKinney, Vena Davis
GRASSY CREEK: Wilma Burleson, Fred E. Burleson, Ken Hollifield, Sharon Hollifield, Dorothy McKinney, Frank Fox
LEDGER: Reed Burleson, Jack Sparks
LIBERTY HILL: Rev. David Johnson, Judy Johnson, Margaret Freeman, Doris Proffitt, Lloyd L. Burleson, Mary Gurley, Marqueriete Burleson, Jenny Buckner, Keith Buckner, Elsie McKinney, Mack Ramsey, Max Cabe, Tom Frisbee, Dianne Frisbee
LILY BRANCH: Rev. Steve Williams, Beverly Williams, Carl Murdock, Jackie Thomas, Regina Murdock, Dorothy Grindstaff, Dean Myers

LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rev. Dallas Renfro, Beatrice Renfro, Virginia Lovejoy, Gordon Lovejoy
McKINNEY COVE: Rev. Don Ford, Marlene Ayers, Johnny Ayers
MINE CREEK: Rev. Kenneth Murphy, Janice Hensley, Clarence Fleet Hensley, Allen Barnett, Madie Hoilman, Judy Roberts, Jean McCourry
MOUNT CARMEL: Rev. Michael Brown, Avery Buchanan
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Blanche Stanley, Channing Burns, Sandy Burns
PINE BRANCH: Adam Duncan, Judy Pitman
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Lester Burleson
SILVER CHAPEL: Rev. Jay Orr, Mozell Howell, Fred Louis Howell, Elberta Buchanan, Sherwin Buchanan
SNOW HILL: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Veida Ayers, Rev. Lee Ayers
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Jean Warren, Billie Ruth Sparks, Howard Sparks, David Thayer, Mary Armstrong, Charles Armstrong
TOECANE: Dale Buchanan, Lloyd Laws, Daniel Bailey
VISION MISSIONARY: Rev. Martin Fisher, Rebecca Fisher
WHITE OAK: Marcella Bailey, Marian McNeill, Juanita McMahan, Jim McMahan

CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, INC.

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "Mitchell Baptist Association, Incorporated."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: First, the officers of the Association; Second, Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; Third, Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one-hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Discipleship Training Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members of the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5B. A Budget and Finance Committee. This committee shall consist of six lay persons and three pastors with no church having more than one

member. Their terms of service shall be for three years with three members rotating off each year.

The Nominating Committee shall include in their report each year the names of three persons for membership on the Budget and Finance Committee. The committee will elect their own chairperson.

The Moderator, Treasurer, and Director of Missions shall serve as ex officio members of this committee.

It shall be the duty of this committee to receive individual budget requests from department directors and committee chairpersons, and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet the needs in light of anticipated contributions from the churches.

This committee shall publish the proposed budget sixty days prior to the annual meeting, and seek opportunities to promote the proposed budget in the churches.

Once the budget has been adopted, the committee will be available to advise the treasurer regarding disbursements, especially when "Cash on Deposit" makes it necessary to give priority to certain line items in the budget.

Article 5C. Associational Council

1. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Discipleship Training, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Historian.
2. The Association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to coordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.
3. The council shall be responsible for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for coordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.
4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.
5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Article 5D. Missions Committee

This committee shall be composed of five (5) members. The duties of this committee are:

1. To work with the Director of Missions and serve as the mediator between him and the Association.
2. To work with local churches or groups contemplating the establishment of new work and/or missions.
3. To promote the missionary and extension work of the Association.

Article 5E. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Monday and Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefore shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the second day's session.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

151st Annual Session
Mitchell Baptist Association

Liberty Hill Baptist Church
Monday, August 23, 1999
3:30 - 9:00 P.M.

Theme: ***"Celebrating the Past — Looking to the Future"***

3:30	Call to Order	Rev. David Troutman, Moderator
	Hymn #375	"Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus"
	Welcome	Rev. David Johnson
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. Mark McKinney
	Committee Report: Order of Business	Rev. John Chick
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
3:45	Special Music	Pastors' Quartet
4:00	Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, Welcome of New Pastors, Treasurer's Report, Budget and Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and Miscellaneous Business	
4:30	DOM Report	Rev. Daniel Whetstine
4:45	Hymn #438	"He Lives"
4:50	History of Mitchell Baptist Association	Buster Sparks
5:00	Message	Rev. R.M. Cassity
5:30	Benediction and Blessing on meal	

(Break for the evening meal)

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7:00	Call to Order	Rev. David Troutman, Moderator

Hymn #461 ..... "I Love to Tell the Story"

Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Mike Brown

Roll Call of Churches ..... Judy Greer

7:15 Voices from the Past

8:00 Did You Know? – Interesting Facts About Our Association

8:15 Hymn #491 ..... "When We All Get to Heaven"

8:20 Special Music ..... Rebecca Fisher

8:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Lee Ayers

9:00 Benediction

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Grassy Creek Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 24, 1999
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

7:00 Call to Order ..... Rev. David Troutman, Moderator

Hymn #307 ..... "He Keeps Me Singing"

Welcome ..... Frank Fox

Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Monroe Cooke

Roll Call of Churches ..... Judy Greer

7:15 Special Music ..... Pastors' Choir

7:30 Mission Message ..... Joel Young

8:00 Hymn #328 ..... "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

8:05 Recognitions, Announcements, Nominating Committee's Report, Election of Officers, Time-Place-Preacher Committee, and Miscellaneous Business

8:15 Special Music ..... Velma Sturgill

8:25 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. David Johnson

9:00 Benediction

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Liberty Hill Baptist Church

August 23, 1999

3:30 P.M.

1. The 151st Annual Session of the Mitchell Baptist Association met on Monday afternoon, August 23, 1999, 3:30 P.M., at Liberty Hill Baptist Church in Spruce Pine. The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Moderator, Rev. Steve Williams, pastor of Lily Branch Baptist Church. The theme for this year's sessions was "Celebrating the Past – Looking to the Future" as we celebrate our 150th anniversary as an association.

2. The congregation sang the hymn, "'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus."

3. Our Moderator, Rev. David Troutman, recognized Rev. David Johnson, pastor of Liberty Hill Baptist Church, who gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

4. Rev. Mark McKinney read Joshua 1:1-9 and led in the opening prayer.

5. The Order of Business Report was given by Rev. John Chick, who made the motion to accept the program for the 1999 Annual Session, with the change of the afternoon's message being brought by Rev. Howard Buchanan instead of Rev. R.M. Cassity (due to health problems). The motion was seconded and approved.

6. Judy Greer, Associational Clerk, gave the roll call of churches. Twenty-eight churches were represented. (See Messengers to Association for names of churches and messengers, pages 5-6.) Registration cards were handed out at this time.

7. Special music was provided by a Pastors' Quartet, led by Rev. Dallas Renfro.

8. The Moderator gave a time for recognition and announcements. It was announced that our Disaster Recovery Trailer was on display in the parking lot and that it was ready to be used.

9. Rev. David Troutman called attention to the Committees appointed by the Moderator for the coming year. (See pages 4-5) A motion was made to accept these committees and the motion was seconded and approved.

10. Our new pastors were recognized at this time. Present were Rev. Dean Honeycutt - pastor of Big Crabtree Baptist Church; Rev. Don Ford - pastor of McKinney Cove Baptist Church; Rev. Martin Fisher - pastor of Vision Missionary Baptist Church; Rev. Howard Forbes - pastor of Black Mountain Baptist Church; and Rev. Bob McKinney - pastor of Friendship Baptist Church. Not present at this time were Rev. Monroe Cooke - pastor of Fork Mountain Baptist Church, his associate - Rev. Daniel Honeycutt; and Rev. Russell McKinney - pastor of Ledger Baptist Church.

11. Greg Hollifield gave the Treasurer's Report. He called attention to the printed report and stated that the balance at the end of the associational year, July 31, was $3,722.30. Greg then called attention to the Proposed Budget for the 1999-2000 associational year. The total budget for the coming year is $55,414. With no questions asked, the motion was made for the adoption of this Proposed Budget. The motion was seconded and approved. The Moderator asked the churches to support the association as much as they possibly could.

12. The Executive Committee Report was presented as information by the associational clerk, Judy Greer.

13. There was no miscellaneous business.

14. Our Director of Missions, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, gave his report. He reported on several items:

- The association's need for more financial support from the churches.
- A new ministry beginning at the Walnut Avenue Apartments, by Randy and Michelle Bonner.
- A World Missions Conference being planned.
- A Partnership with Alaska for three years.
- An Appalachian Mountain Ministry being done through the State Convention.
- Would like to do a Prayer Station Ministry next year at the Mineral and Gem Festival.
- Reported that our Broyhill Children's Home Christmas project was still a success and we would continue to do this again for 1999.
- Reported on the success of the Chaplaincy at the Blue Ridge Youth Center.
- Reported on the promotion of "Scriptures in Schools" the last week in September.

Rev. Whetstine made a motion for the adoption of his report. The motion was seconded and approved.

15. The congregation was led in the hymn, "He Lives." Registration cards were

taken up at this time.

16. Buster Sparks, the associational Historian, gave a report on the past 150 years of Mitchell Baptist Association. He stated that Bear Creek had an "Historical Room" with a lot of materials and history about the association. Everyone is welcome to come and see these items. Roan Mountain is our oldest church, organized in 1813, and Grassy Creek is the second oldest, organized in 1819. Bear Creek was organized in 1830.

17. Rev. Howard Buchanan brought the afternoon message. His scripture was taken from Hebrews 12:1-4; 13:8. He spoke on our theme, "Celebrating the Past – Looking to the Future."

18. Directions were given to the evening meal and the benediction and blessing was given by Rev. David Johnson, pastor of Liberty Hill.

Break for evening meal.

19. The evening session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. David Troutman, pastor of Freedom Baptist Church.

20. The congregation was led by David Thayer, Minister of Music at First Baptist, in singing the hymn "I Love To Tell The Story."

21. Rev. Mike Brown, pastor of Mount Carmel Baptist Church, read scripture and led in prayer.

22. A second roll call of the churches was given with one more church represented. This makes twenty-nine churches represented.

23. A slide and audio presentation was given, called "Voices from the Past." It included segments of sermons from Rev. Astor Buchanan, Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rev. Hugh Borders, Rev. Joe Pittman, Rev. Frank Ellis and Rev. Mack Hodge. The presentation was greatly enjoyed by the messengers.

24. Our Director of Missions, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, presenting some interesting facts about the association's past.

25. The congregation was led in the hymn, "When We All Get to Heaven."

26. Special music was presented by Rebecca Fisher.

27. Rev. Lee Ayers, brought the evening message. His scripture was Exodus 4:1-5. He spoke on the "Rod of Service."

28. The benediction was given by Rev. Daniel Whetstine.

Grassy Creek Baptist Church

Tuesday, August 24, 1999

7:00 P.M.

29. Rev. David Troutman, Moderator, called the second night's session to order.

30. The congregation sang the hymn, "He Keeps Me Singing."

31. Frank Fox, Chairman of Deacons - Grassy Creek, gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors.

32. Rev. Monroe Cooke, pastor of Fork Mountain Baptist Church, read John 13:34-35 and led in the opening prayer.

33. A roll call of churches was given by the clerk. Twenty-nine churches were represented at this time, with a total of 32 churches being represented.

34. Special music was provided by Delphi Renfro and then the Pastors' Choir.

35. A Mission Message was given by Joel Young. Joel is from Spruce Pine and his home church is Pine Branch. Joel and his family have just returned from a two-year mission trip to Hong Kong. He is available to speak in churches.

36. The congregation sang, "What a Friend we Have In Jesus."

37. A time was given for recognitions and announcements. There was none.

38. The Nominating Committee's Report was presented by Rev. David Troutman. This is a list of the officers and directors for the coming associational year. A motion was made for the adoption of this report and the motion was seconded and approved. (See pages 1-3)

39. The election of officers began with the nomination of Judy Greer to continue as our associational clerk, with the motion to leave her in this position and not be voted on each year. The motion was second and approved.

Rev. John Chick gave the nomination of Rev. Martin Fisher to serve as our Vice-Moderator. The motion was seconded and approved.

Rev. David Johnson gave the name of our Vice-Moderator, Rev. Steve Williams, to serve as our Moderator. With no other nominations, the motion carried.

40. The Time, Place and Preacher Committee announced that for the 2000 Annual Session, the first day's meeting will be at Freedom Baptist Church in

Spruce Pine, and the second night at Lily Branch Baptist Church in Bakersville. The Annual Sermons will be brought by Rev. John Chick, (Rev. Jay Orr, alternate) and Rev. Martin Fisher (Rev. Dallas Renfro, alternate).

41. In miscellaneous business·

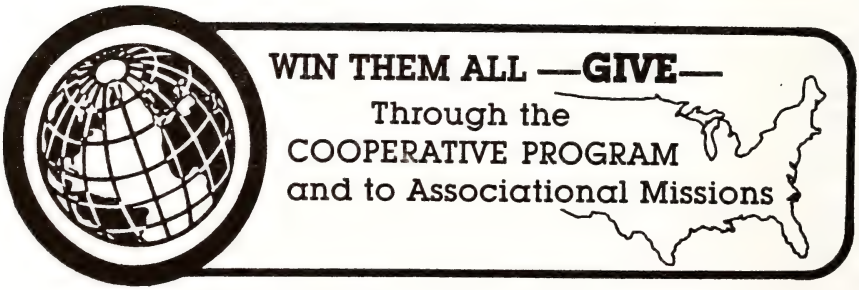
(a) The Resolutions Committee thanked the two host churches, Liberty Hill and Grassy Creek, for their hospitality, and offered a special "thank you" to Liberty Hill for the delicious meal on Monday afternoon. A motion was made for the adoption of this resolution and it was seconded and approved.

(b) Rev. Dallas Renfro made a recommendation that the messengers give a love offering for Rev. R.M. Cassity, who had recently suffered a broken hip and surgery. The recommendation was seconded and approved. The offering given totaled $566.00.

42. Special music was provided by Velma Sturgill.

43. The Annual Sermon was given by Rev. David Johnson. His scripture was Exodus 17:8-13, 15. He spoke on "Take Back Mitchell County by Prayer."

44. The meeting was adjourned with an altar prayer, led by the Moderator, Rev. David Troutman.



PROPOSED BUDGET – 1999-2000

	1998-99	1999-2000
I. PERSONNEL MINISTRIES		
Director of Missions:		
Salary	$ 8,100.00	8,100.00
Housing Allowance	3,405.00	3,405.00
Travel Reimbursement	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Secretary	16,207.00	16,207.00
II. MISSION SUPPORT MINISTRIES WITH THE LOCAL CHURCH		
Sunday School/VBS	400.00	150.00
Discipleship Training/Memory Work	350.00	350.00
Brotherhood	75.00	0
WMU	500.00	400.00
Youth	250.00	250.00
Blue Ridge Youth Cntr. Ministry	2,100.00	2,100.00
Hispanic Ministry	600.00	500.00
III. OUR ADMINISTRATIVE - SUPPORT MINISTRIES		
Missionary's Retirement	4,000.00	4,000.00
Conventions, Conferences, Workshops, etc.	700.00	700.00
Social Security Allowance:		
Director of Missions	800.00	800.00
Secretary	1,252.00	1,252.00
Hospital Insurance/Secretary	4,800.00	4,800.00
Christmas Bonuses:		
Director of Missions	500.00	500.00
Secretary	400.00	400.00
Telephone	800.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies & Repairs	3,000.00	3,000.00
Postage	1,500.00	1,500.00
Utilities	1,200.00	1,200.00
Fire Insurance	700.00	700.00
Miscellaneous Expense	500.00	..500.00
Flowers/Memorials	100.00	100.00
Supplies for Risograph	1,500.00	1,500.00
Building & Grounds Maintenance	0	500.00
TOTAL	$ 55,239.00	$ 55,414.00

CHURCHES GIVING TO ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS
Year Ending, July 31, 1999

CHURCH	MAY--JULY	AUG.---APR.	TOTALS
Altapass	$ 871.00	$ 2,360.00	$ 3,231.00
Bakersville	0	1,934.00	1,934.00
Bear Creek	1,000.02	3,000.06	4,000.08
Beaver Creek	527.60	1,402.54	1,930.14
Berry Chapel	658.00	2,851.00	3,509.00
Big Crabtree	191.00	969.00	1,160.00
Big Rock Creek	0	0	0
Black Mountain	60.60	557.50	618.10
Calvary	197.01	655.93	852.94
Cane Creek	225.00	600.00	825.00
Central	416.41	1,310.10	1,726.56
Chestnut Grove	0	45.56	45.56
Crabtree Chapel	394.97	970.36	1,365.33
Fork Mountain	225.73	130.04	355.77
Freedom	544.27	1,809.15	2,353.42
Grassy Creek	800.01	2,216.68	3,016.69
Ledger	331.34	1,198.63	1,529.97
Liberty Hill	350.00	1,500.00	1,850.00
Lily Branch	1,090.24	2,431.04	3,521.28
Little Rock Creek	441.31	1,062.18	1,503.49
McKinney Cove	300.00	900.00	1,200.00
Mine Creek	428.99	499.02	928.01
Mount Carmel	641.76	1,628.06	2,269.82
Mountain View	0	0	0
Pine Branch	767.96	2,179.83	2,947.79
Roan Mountain	1,035.25	2,187.28	3,222.53
Silver Chapel	487.04	1,673.69	2,160.73
Snow Hill	419.85	988.35	1,408.20
Spring Creek	120.00	360.00	480.00
Spruce Pine, First	100.00	300.00	400.00
Toecane	200.00	100.00	300.00
White Oak	0	0	0
Vision Missionary	232.37	222.59	454.96
TOTALS	$ 13,057.73	$ 38,042.59	$ 51,100.32

TREASURER'S REPORT
Twelve Months Ending July 31, 1999

RECEIPTS			
Avery Association Reimbursement (Health Ins.)			5,794.56
Baptist State Convention Supplement			1,000.01
Church Contributions			52,047.90
Miscellaneous Contributions			2,232.15
Evangelistic Crusade			1,402.28
Hispanic Ministry			6,000.00
Minute Fund			948.50
NC Sales Tax Refund			402.06
Prison Ministry			2,097.84
Sale of Supplies, printing, etc.			677.44
Youth Crusade			2,139.25
Total Receipts			$ 74,741.99
DISBURSEMENTS			
Annual Meeting			992.00
Conferences			284.50
Crusades:			
Evangelism			1,262.00
Youth			1,735.62
Insurance on Building			767.36
Lawn Care			170.00
Literature			332.80
Ministries:			
Hispanic			6,450.00
Prison			4,690.38
Miscellaneous			1,754.91
Office Expense			5,179.28
Payroll:			
DOM	Salary	8,100.00	
	Social Security Allowance	800.04	
	Less Federal Tax	[2,640.00]	
	Less State Tax	[540.00]	5,720.04
Housing			3,405.00
Travel - Auto			1,500.00
Secretary	Salary	16,206.96	
	Less Social Security	[1,004.88]	
	Less Medicare	[234.96]	
	Less State Tax	[484.80]	14,482.32
Annuity Board			
DOM Retirement			3,996.00
Secretary's Retirement			2,570.00
Payroll Taxes			
State			1,024.80
Federal and Social Security			5,119.68
Personal Security (Health, Life, Disability Ins.)			9,965.48
Postage			1,274.77
Repairs			
Building			129.07

Supplies	349.82
Telephone	1,014.82
Utilities	
Cable	134.67
Electric	927.03
WMU	176.05
Youth	199.20
Honorarium	50.00
Bank Service Charge & Check Fees	305.95
Sales Tax	179.08
Total Disbursements	$ 76,142.63
Cash on Deposit, August 1, 1998	5,122.94
Add: Receipts for August 1, 1998 - July 31, 1999	74,741.99
Total	79,864.93
Less: Disbursements for August 1, 1998 - July 31, 1999	76,142.63
Available Balance, July 31, 1999	$ 3,722.30

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

November 19, 1998

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, November 19, 1998, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. David Troutman, Moderator, presided and called the meeting to order. After prayer requests were made, Rev. Buster Yelton (pastor of White Oak) led in prayer and Rev. Steve Williams (pastor of Lily Branch) read scripture.

The following churches were represented (asterisk indicates presence of pastor). *Beaver Creek, Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Cane Creek, *Central, Chestnut Grove,
Crabtree Chapel, First Baptist, *Freedom, *Lily Branch, Little Rock Creek, *McKinney Cove, *Pine Branch, *Snow Hill, and *White Oak. A total of 19 people were present.

In the absence of the treasurer, the clerk reported that the balance in our treasury was $6,156.10, with the money for Minutes Books (approximately $900) being included with that balance.

Marlene Ayers gave a WMU report. She stated that approximately 75 people were present for the Baptist Women's Day of Prayer in November, held at Pine Branch and that $200 was collected for the Baptist women's work around the world. Mrs. Ayers also reported on two projects that the ladies were doing for Christmas - collecting socks for the Women's Prison in Raleigh, and buying Christmas gifts for Mitchell County SafePlace in Spruce Pine.

Rev. Richard Hollifield gave his resignation as associational Sunday School director due to health problems.

Rev. Steve Williams gave an Evangelism report. He reported that another Evangelism Crusade was being planned for Mitchell Association in July of 1999. Rev. Phil Hoskins will hold a 3-night crusade. Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Director of Missions, reported on the Evangelism Blitz in October. He stated that 2 people were saved. He also stated that the participation was low. Rev.

Whetstine told of a good witnessing tape, the "Jesus" film, available for $5 each from the State Convention.

Judy Greer gave information on the upcoming Bible Drill "Kick-off" and encouraged churches to be involved.

In old business, the Disaster Trailer was discussed. The trailer has been purchased and most of the items needed to supply it.

In new business, the Director of Missions read a letter from Rev. Martin Fisher and the members of Vision Missionary Baptist Church in Marshall. This is a newly formed church and Rev. Fisher is a former pastor in Mitchell Association. This was a request to join our association. Our director stated that we had two choices – we could put the church under the watchcare of the association or we could vote to suspend the rules for this one item and vote them in immediately. A motion for putting the church under the watchcare of the association was made and seconded, but the motion failed. After some discussion and the fact that almost everyone knew Rev. Martin Fisher, a motion was made to suspend the rules for this one item. The motion was seconded and approved. A motion was then made to immediately accept this church into our association. The motion was seconded and the motion carried with no opposition. It was asked that we remember this new church in prayer.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be February 18.

February 18, 1999

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, February 18, 1999, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. David Troutman, Moderator, called the meeting to order. Prayer requests were made and Rev. Howard Forbes, pastor of Black Mountain Baptist Church led in the opening prayer. Rev. Martin Fisher, pastor of Vision Missionary Baptist Church read scripture taken from John 6. Rev. Fisher also expressed his appreciation for his church to be part of Mitchell Association. Their church is our newest member of the association being voted in at our last meeting in November.

The following churches were represented – asterisk indicates presence of pastor: Berry Chapel, *Black Mountain, Central, Chestnut Grove, Crabtree Chapel, *Freedom, Spruce Pine, First, and *Vision Missionary. Nine people were present. The November minutes were read by the clerk and approved by the members.

A Bible Drill Report was given by Judy Greer. She gave the dates for the upcoming Associational Bible Drills to be held on March 30 and April 1 at Pine Branch Baptist Church.

The Moderator asked that we pray for and submit names for our Associational Sunday School Director. The position is currently vacant.

Old business included the information that the next step for the Disaster Trailer was to have lettering put on the sides and have training for our men.

New business included the request from Friendship Baptist Church in Bakersville, to join Mitchell Association. Rev. Bob McKinney is pastor. After an earlier meeting of the Missions Committee it was recommended that the Executive Committee place this church under the "watchcare" of the association.

This is a church from an independent background and the church will stay under the watchcare for a year. A motion was made by Rev. Richard Hollifield to accept this recommendation and the motion was seconded and approved with no opposition.

It was stated that this church is in the process of building a new building in Bakersville and that they would appreciate any donations of manual labor.

Our Moderator commented on the August Annual Meeting of the association. This will be our 150th (Sesquicentennial) Anniversary and we hope to make this meeting a time of remembrance and celebration. Our association was organized in 1849. Our Moderator asked that the individual churches help provide history and that an exhibit would be made for the meeting.

Our next Executive Committee Meeting will be held on May 20, 1999. Richard McKinney, member of Crabtree Chapel Baptist Church led in the closing prayer. The meeting adjourned.

May 20, 1999

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, May 20, 1999, for its regularly scheduled session. Rev. Steve Williams, Vice-Moderator, presided and called the meeting to order. Rev. Daniel Whetstine, our Director of Missions, read scripture and led in the opening prayer.

The following churches were represented – an asterisk indicates the presence of
pastors: *Beaver Creek, Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Black Mountain, Central, Chestnut Grove, Crabtree Chapel, *Lily Branch, *Pine Branch, and Spruce Pine, First. Twelve people were present.

Minutes of the February meeting were read by the clerk and the treasurer's report was given. The amount in the treasury was reported to be $3,892.58.

Old business included:

– the lettering to go on our Disaster Trailer. A recommendation for the wording, "Mitchell Baptist Association Disaster Recovery" along with the SBC logo was given. This recommendation was voted on and approved.

– it was recommended that the Nominating Committee make a recommendation for Sunday School Director, when it does the entire slate of officers for 1999-2000. – our Director stated that the first night of our annual meeting will include historical memories to celebrate our 150th year.

New business included:

– Jean Warren, our representative to the General Board, gave us a report on some of the changes to be voted on at the state's annual meeting in November. This will include a six-year plan to alternate between the moderates and conservatives for president of the State Convention. She also reported that Mike Cummings has taken over as president for Mac Brunson who resigned his position to accept a pastorate in Dallas, Texas.

– our Director of Missions stated that we need someone to mow the grass around the associational office for the summer. It was suggested that we either have church volunteers or hire someone. The recommendation was made that we just hire someone. The name of Tommy Deese was given, and our director

will be in contact with him.

– our summer program "After Church In The Park" will begin on June 6 and conclude on August 1. Our director asked for sponsors to help with this program each week. This will be held at Riverside Park in Spruce Pine.

– Rev. Steve Williams reported that letters had been sent to pastors to ask for love offerings to be taken to help cover the cost of our Evangelistic Crusade in July.

After several special prayer requests were made the meeting was adjourned with
prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Greer, Clerk

Baptist Children's Homes

Three rocks beside her trailer house warned four-year-old Mamie not to tell anyone of the way her father was abusing her. If she ever told, her father said, those stones would mark her grave and the graves of her two best friends.

"He had already killed my dog," says Mamie, now 16. "So I believed him."

When authorities discovered Mamie's abuse at the hands of her father, she was taken from him, and he was charged, but released on bond. He came to the house where Mamie was staying to kill the people in the house...and her. But he was subdued. She heard him through the wall threaten her death while she cowered inside.

Mamie's mother, who left the family when Mamie was six weeks old, attended her father's trial, but only "to see if Mamie looked like me." Mamie never saw her.

George and Linda Hogan, believing "every child deserves a childhood," took Mamie in and raised her as their own. They met her while delivering communion elements to her grandmother.

"It's been a struggle, but you do the best you can," said Linda, who suffers with diabetic ulcers. After her 71-year-old husband had a second heart attack, Mamie became too much for the couple to handle.

She lives now at Moody Home, a structured value change home for girls in Franklin, one of 13 facilities operated by Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

Shredding the Safety Net: Mamie pressed the boundaries of love, and George and Linda weren't physically able to pull her back to safety.

"I tried to push the boundaries a little further and a little further, to see how far I could push before they snapped. Finally, they couldn't take it anymore," Mamie said.

Baptist Children's Homes serves families who "can't take it anymore," who have children or grandchildren whose behaviors are out of bounds.

In 1998-99, Baptist Children's Homes served 1,646 children and their families through 13 facilities statewide. BCH operates residential campuses in Thomasville, Pembroke, Kinston and Clyde; a maternity home in Asheville; a

teen mother/baby home in Lenoir; values change homes for girls in Franklin and Lenoir; therapeutic camping in Cameron; crisis cottages at the residential campuses and in Waynesville; and model day care in Thomasville.

Beginning with Easter 1999 and continuing through Thanksgiving 2000, BCH instituted a 20-month institutional emphasis of "Quality Service Through Quality Relationships." Michael C. Blackwell, president since 1983, is "committed to keeping our staff and our services fresh and vital to meet ever changing needs."

The emphasis places top priority on relationships to achieve the highest quality of service possible. The QSTQR operating theme will permeate every action, program and effort within the institution and without.

The word "quality' has been overused and under-realized, and it too often cloaks mediocrity with imagined value. There will be no such veneer at BCH.

Building and Renovating: BCH moved ahead its Odum Home campus in Pembroke to meet new challenges April 27, 1999 by dedicating two major campus renovations. Space for 10 boys was added to the old "main" building which was named Luther and Audrey Carter Hall, in honor of the donor couple who left their estate to Baptist Children's Homes.

The former house used for a director's residence was renovated to serve five girls in transitional care and named for longtime trustee and supporters Abe and Jackie Elmore.

Total renovations increased capacity at Odum Home from 28 residents to 45. Additionally, 10 day students from Pembroke Middle School will be served at the Winifred Lindsay Education/Administrative Center. These students have issues to resolve that do not require them to be in residential care.

At Cameron Boys Camp May 4, two important staff lodges were dedicated: the A.J. Fletcher Lodge and the Hubert M. Craig Lodge. These lodges provide staff housing, a rare commodity in wilderness setting in which Cameron Boys Camp operates.

"North Carolina's largest family" is grateful to our North Carolina Baptist partners, as together, we help hurting children and heal broken families. To secure our new video about Baptist Children's Homes, schedule a speaker or access services call (800)476-3669.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael C. Blackwell, President
David S. Clay, Trustee Chair

Baptist Retirement Homes

"Lord...you have made my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance." Psalm 15:5-6

Because of your generosity, Psalm 15 can be the testimony of over 500 elderly saints who reside at the Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina. Their lot is secure. They live in pleasant places. They have a delightful inheritance.

Through Cooperative Program gifts and special offerings, Baptist Retirement

Homes is providing $1.7 million in benevolent care for the elderly poor of North Carolina during 1999.

Additional benevolent funding will provide care at The Gardens at Taylor Glen, a new continuing care retirement community being built in the Concord/Cabarrus County area.

For the growing numbers of individuals and families facing life-changing decisions about care for their aging loved ones, Baptist Elder Care Network offers cost-free information from knowledgeable and caring resource counselors. Regardless of the aging-related issues families face, our statewide system of counselors can provide answers that are reliable and reassuring.

In June, the Fowler Memory Enhanced Residence at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville was completed. This new area is designed to meet the needs of the many older adults who experience memory-related conditions, such as Alzheimer's Disease. At the Fowler unit, residents whose perception of reality may change noticeably from day to day find stability in a "home-like" environment. They function more confidently amid the familiarity of a traditionally furnished living room, kitchen, dining room, and bedroom, and they sense peace and serenity as they wander among the flowers, fountains and walking trails of the garden area.

Similar facilities will soon be available at Baptist Retirement Homes' Brookridge Community in Winston-Salem and at the Gardens at Taylor Glen Community in Concord.

Being part of the Baptist Retirement Homes Family and resting comfortably in its care is a wonderful inheritance. Thank you for helping us make life for our elderly...The Best of Times!

The number for the Baptist Elder Care Network is 1-800-887-7410

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Stillerman, President

Christian Higher Education

"N.C. Baptists have been involved in Christian higher education literally since the day the Baptist State Convention (BSC) was born," wrote Dr. Jim Royston, Executive Director-Treasurer, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Dr. Royston is correct. North Carolina Baptists have placed priority upon Christian higher education through the years. As a result, a large number of our pastors, staff ministers, and lay-leaders have been educated by one of our Baptists institutions, helping our churches develop as places where the Gospel is treasured and Christ is honored.

Maintaining close ties to our churches and associations is important to our institutions. This is one of the primary missions of the Council on Christian Higher Education. Founded in 1944, the Council seeks to foster good communications between our churches, associations, and institutions of higher education.

Divinity schools and centers for congregational growth serve as positive

demonstrations of our institutions' desire to enhance the life in our churches and associations. Current and future leaders are being trained through these facilities.

According to the Executive Director of the Council on Christian Higher Education, Dr. Wayne D. Wike, "North Carolina Baptists are fortunate to have administrators and faculty members who are committed to enriching the life of our Convention."

Gifts to the Cooperative Program assist in helping our institutions fulfill their missions. Members from cooperating churches are eligible, as a result, to be considered for scholarships to attend one of our colleges or universities. In addition, North Carolina Baptists who meet the admission requirements for the divinity schools at Campbell and Gardner-Webb Universities are eligible to receive $8,100 grants toward their theological education. Students who choose to attend another divinity school are eligible to receive $3,000 toward their educational expenses. All of these are made possible as a result of gifts presented to the Cooperative Program of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

As Dr. Royston wrote, "Baptist colleges are still a priority of our State Convention. It is my hope and dream that more and more students from our churches will attend our schools, and graduate as leaders for our state and nation, as well as for our churches."

Our colleges and universities share Dr. Royston's hope and dream. They, too, believe graduates from our campuses will make a difference in our state, nation, and Convention.

Biblical Recorder

The Biblical Recorder is the official news journal of North Carolina Baptists. The earliest version of the Recorder was founded in 1833 by Thomas Meredith, who had also been influential in the birth of the Baptist State Convention in 1830. The Biblical Recorder was owned and operated as a private enterprise in support of Baptist work in North Carolina until 1938, when the paper was purchased by the Baptist State Convention and incorporated as an agency of the convention.

A number of able editors have served the Biblical Recorder, which is widely acknowledged to be in the top echelon of state Baptist papers. The current editor is Tony W. Cartledge, whose tenure began on January 1, 1999.

The Biblical Recorder plays a strategic role in promoting God's Kingdom work through North Carolina Baptists. On April 22, 1999, the Board of Directors of the Biblical Recorder adopted the following mission statement: "Our Mission is to further Christ's Kingdom by providing relevant news, insightful opinions and supportive resources to North Carolina Baptists in a timely and accessible fashion."

The Biblical Recorder belongs to all North Carolina Baptists, and appropriately reflects the geographical, ecclesiological, and theological diversity that is typical of the churches making up the Baptist State Convention. The editors and staff

of the Recorder work diligently to offer a fair and balanced presentation of the news that most affects the life and ministry of North Carolina Baptists. Opinions advanced through editorials, letters, and analytical essays help to spark the thinking of North Carolina Baptists who want to make up their own minds about important issues. Feature stores about notable or innovative activities of churches and associations, regular reports on partnership missions efforts, and weekly commentaries on the most popular Sunday School lessons offer ideas, encouragement, and inspiration to readers of the Recorder.

To communicate more effectively and to present the most important news in a more timely fashion, the Biblical Recorder has developed a popular presence on the World Wide Web. The Recorder's website at http://www.biblicalrecorder.org offers Internet users an opportunity to read much of each paper's content several days before printed versions arrive. This is particularly helpful during convention meetings and at other times when frequent updates are desirable. As time and resources allow, additional features will be added to make the website an even more valuable source of information for North Carolina Baptists.

The Biblical Recorder works in partnership with the Baptist State Convention, and receives annual support from Cooperative Program gifts as an agency of the Convention. This support makes is possible to offer the Recorder at very affordable subscription rates.

Currently, the annual rates are:

- Church News Service (incorporates church newsletter into the Recorder) - $6.36
- Every Home Plan (20%+ of church families, paid through the church budget) - $7.42
- Club Plan (4 or more persons in a church subscribe together) - $8.48
- Individual Subscription - $10.60

Subscription packets and free sample issues are available. For more information, please contact:

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Respectfully submitted,
Tony W. Cartledge, Editor/President
Jeff Roberts, Chair, Board of Directors

International Mission Board

God has called His people to proclaim His name among all peoples. This is our task.

In 1998, Southern Baptists excelled in the challenge to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ. Unprecedented numbers of Christians responded to God's call to serve through the International Mission Board as career missionaries, to offer two years for missions service, to participate in global volunteer projects and to support missions through sacrificial giving.

By the end of 1998, 4,570 missionaries were under appointment through the International Mission Board, serving among people groups in 127 countries.

In 1998, a record 885 Southern Baptists, appointed or commissioned through the International Mission Board, joined God to take His gospel to people groups around the world.

- 338 people were newly appointed or approved for long-term missionary service.
- 547 people committed to serve two-year terms either as International Service Corps representatives or through the Journeyman Program.

Added to this new missionary force in 1998 were a record 20,140 short-term volunteers. This includes 171 people who served terms of four months up to two years in the International Service Corps program, and 732 college and seminary students who served through the Students On Mission program.

The 1998 Volunteers in Missions included at least 1,032 youth, 841 medical professionals and 322 sports coaches and players.

God is working in unprecedented ways through Southern Baptists and Baptist partners overseas with whom IMB missionaries are affiliated. Last year 348,635 baptisms were reported and 4,251 churches were started on mission fields around the world. The total membership of overseas Baptist churches exceeded 4.4 million in 1998.

Missionaries look to the International Mission Board for their full support. The International Mission Board's total budget was $210 million for the past year.

To contact the International Mission Board, call 1-800-866-3621. Their website is www.imb.org.

Christian Action League of North Carolina

It is a joy for the Christian Action League of North Carolina to serve the churches of this great state. We continue to work to inform the Christian community about the moral issues that face our state and nation. Our goal is to address these issues with the principles of God's Word, the cornerstone of all truth.

Christian Values

It was the pleasure of the Christian Action League to be one of the sponsors of the Fourth Annual Christian Heritage Week of North Carolina held in March. The League encouraged schools, churches and communities to recognize, commemorate and learn about the Christian heritage and history of our nation. CAL assisted in sponsoring a state-wide essay contest for high school students (public, private and home schools) and presented state winners with awards for excellence.

We continued to promote Christian citizenship throughout the churches and

communities of our state. CAL has distributed over 14,000 copies of the Ten Commandments to churches, businesses, schools and homes across North Carolina. Promoted Sanctity of Human Life Sunday and the National Day of Prayer statewide.

We held a Church Leadership Legislative Day on April 6, 1999. The purpose of this day was to have pastors and church leaders to come together and enjoy fellowship, meet and hear some of our legislators and become more aware of how state government and the legislative process works.

We promoted awareness of worldwide persecution of Christians through faxes, emails and newsletters.

Gambling

Lottery proponents continue in their efforts to bring a state-sponsored lottery to North Carolina. Four lottery bills were introduced this session. CAL monitors these efforts and updates the Christian community on lottery information through letters, calls and our fax and electronic mail networks. Lawmakers have continued to receive a barrage of communications from across the state saying that the lottery is a bad bet for North Carolina.

Sex Education

We worked with other Christian and pro-family groups to see that the state mandate for Abstinence Until Marriage education is implemented state-wide. Also, supported efforts to insure that federal grant money designated to promote abstinence education was used properly. Informed citizens and legislators concerning attempts to fund school-based clinics in North Carolina schools.

Abortion

Christian Action League monitored SB349/HB 1066 (Act to Ban Partial Birth Abortion), this legislation would have made this type of abortion a class H felony for anyone who performed the late-term procedure. This bill died in committee. Successfully encouraged legislators to limit the State Abortion Fund to cases resulting only from rape, incest and the life of the mother. In the last four years, only one abortion has occurred under these circumstances using tax-payer funds.

Alcohol

CAL monitored all legislation concerning alcohol and other drugs. Successfully supported efforts to strengthen DWI laws. Assisted communities on organizing committees to fight alcohol and drug use. Informed citizens statewide about legislation that would have approved alcohol sales without the vote of the people. Four bills were introduced this session that would have permitted alcohol sales without a voter referendum; SB 17, SB 173, SB 606, SB 607 and HB 1043. Provided awareness, education and resource materials related to substance abuse problems to churches, communities, etc.

Pornography

Worked against HB 1248 which would have allowed individuals to perform in the nude if it "occurs as part of a play, dance, performance or artistic creation

that contains serious literary, artistic political or scientific value." The bill died in committee.

Homosexuality

CAL supports efforts to strengthen the traditional family and continues to monitor and inform the public about the activities of those who promote the radical homosexual agenda. HB 884 and SB's 701, 884 and 759 were all introduced to promote the acceptance of homosexuality as an alternative lifestyle. CAL with other like-minded organizations fought these bills and they were defeated. Worked against HB 1398 (Needle Exchange Program) which would have allowed the state to furnish free needles to drug users using tax-payer dollars.

♥ For A Better North Carolina ♥

Respectfully submitted,
Joe S. Lennon, President
Rev. Johnny R. Henderson, Executive Director

Evangelism

Isaiah 6:8 "I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?

Isaiah said, "Here am I; send me." I see in Isaiah's life, it was more important to do something than to be something. He was willing to go and take a stand for the Lord. It is up to the blood-bought Christians to take the same stand today. The trouble with the world is that so many people who stand up for their rights fall down on their responsibility. This has also crept into our Baptist churches. It is our responsibility to share the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to this lost and dying world. And if we fail to do this, who will? Dr. Phil Hoskins made a statement during our Evangelistic Crusade, he was talking about a famous restaurant that had a sign over the door as you were leaving which read, "My reputation is in your hands." I believe the same thing is true about our Lord and Savior. His reputation is in our hands and what are we telling the world about Him? Are we telling the world we don't have enough time to serve Him? You won't be able to find time for the Lord – you must make time for Him. And this world can see how important God is in your life by how you share Him and how you support Him.

In has been the effort of the association's evangelism team to reach our county for Christ. We held a Soul-Winning Workshop at Liberty Hill Baptist Church, and out of the county only four churches attended. Information was mailed out to pastors and it was mentioned during the Pastors' Conference several times. This shows us that we need to be more concerned about lost souls. It has been said, "People don't care how much you know, until they know how much you

care."

This year we also were able to hold a county-wide Evangelistic Crusade at Bear Creek Baptist Church, July 26-28. Dr. Phil Hoskins brought the precious Word of God to us each night and God moved very mightily during these services.

I believe life without the Lord is as empty as an ocean without water. That is why we see so many people dried up and withering away. It's time to give them some living water. Who is wiling to take this living water and share it with them? I pray we will say the same words as Isaiah – "Here am I. Send me."

Please pray that in the coming year we will break out of our complacent life-styles and tell others about Jesus Christ.

You can't pick the lock to the gate of heaven, but you can pick the key. Choose Christ, won't you?

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Stephen Williams

WMU

"Go ye therefore and teach all nations" Matthew 23:19. Scripture is not timid in pointing out our responsibility to hurting and lost people. God teaches that His followers express their love to Him by expressing His love to others. This is what WMU is about! Our theme this year is "Transformed...By The Light." Members of WMU are thousands of points of light in our world.

We have had great response by our WMU groups with our projects this year. In our Project Help – Violence Ministry (which will continue through 2000) our WMU groups in Mitchell Association provided many items for Safe Place Women's Shelter in Spruce Pine for Christmas. Also for Project Help we collected warm socks for the Women's Correctional Center in North Carolina. The response to this was tremendous. We had an overflow of socks. All of those were sent to the state office. Other associations were responsible for other items. Volunteers at the state office put together gift boxes, wrapped them in red paper, putting a tract in each and a card saying, "From Baptist Women of NC." Each year women from all across North Carolina provide gifts to fill approximately 1200 red boxes for women
inmates. "I was in prison and ye visited me."

In another project we collected old Missions Mosaic magazines and sent them to the Baptist women of South Africa. They cannot purchase these in their country.

Special appreciation goes to Pine Branch for hosting our World Day of Prayer on November 2, 1998. Our theme was "Celebrate the Love of Christ." As usual the ladies of Pine Branch out-did themselves with delicious food for us. Thanks to Dawn Hughes, Susie Buchanan and her young people's group, Amy Ellis and her associational GA group, and Debbie Ford for providing the music.

A total of $200 was collected for the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance and a special time was spent in prayer for the needs around the

world. We had approximately 75 people in attendance.

The annual Associational WMU Meeting was held at McKinney Cove Baptist Church on Monday, April 26, 1999. It was a celebration of what God has done through missions in Mitchell Association.

We were very pleased with our attendance on a rainy Monday night. We had 91 people present representing 14 churches, including our new WMU group from Friendship Baptist Church in Bakersville.

We had note cards for sale made by orphans in Haiti. Proceeds go to help with their basic needs. We raised $235.00. This is through the work of missionary Thomas French.

Our guest speaker was Patricia Frazier from Missions Monologues, Colfax, NC. Pat did a beautiful job portraying the life of "Lottie Moon." You truly felt you had met this pioneer of Southern Baptist mission work.

Special music was provided by Velma Sturgill, Debbie Ford and Beth Hinson. Celia Sturgill and Tiffany Weatherhead handed out programs and attended the nursery.

We appreciate everyone who made our annual meeting a great success. We are especially thankful to our great God who gives us many opportunities to serve.

If you need help with your WMU or want to start a WMU group call us for help.

"Little is much, when God is in it."

Associational WMU Director ..... Marlene Ayers, 688-4890

Secretary ..... Nora Nell Jarrett, 688-2870

Missions Consultant ..... Beulah Burleson, 765-4029

Women on Mission ..... Nina Buchanan, 765-6033

Acteen Consultant ..... Susie Buchanan, 765-9728

GA Consultant ..... Amy Ellis, 765-2216

Respectfully submitted,
Marlene Ayers

Bible Drills and Speakers' Tournament

As your associational Bible Drill leader, I want to thank you (the association) for allowing me to hold this position. I love God's Word so much I count it all joy to be your leader.

We have an awesome responsibility as parents, pastors, leaders, and teachers to encourage and teach our children and other children about God's commandments, statutes, and judgements. In Deuteronomy 6:7 it tells us to teach them diligently unto thy children, and talk of them when we sit in our

houses, when we walk by the way, when we liest down, and when we risest up. If I understand this verse, it means we are to be very busy teaching children God's Word so they can teach their children. This verse should encourage and stir our hearts to do God's will and be involved in these programs. If you as a church have never participated and would like to, please contact me at 688-2407 and I will be glad to talk to you or your church.

We had 50 children and youth representing 12 churches participate in this year's associational Bible drills, and one in the Speakers' Tournament. We were very proud of each participant and the quality of their participation. We commend every church for their strong support.

Coming up on Tuesday, October 12, we will be having a Bible Drill Workshop. This will be for all leaders, callers, judges and time keepers. This workshop will be very beneficial to all leaders, especially to those who are new and have a desire to know more. The time is 7:00 P.M. and the location will be at Ledger Baptist Church. Rev. Stuart White will be the guest leader of the workshop.

My benefits as a leader have been invaluable. I would have never memorized so many verses if I had not been involved in these programs. Some day I want to sit down at Jesus' feet and thank Him for Bear Creek Baptist Church for allowing me to be their leader and thank the association for all the workshops which were so helpful for me. As one of my former pastors used to say, "I would to God" every church could reap the benefits of Children's and Youth Bible Drill and Speaker's Tournament.

I want every parent and church leader to know how much I appreciate them and the hard work that goes into these programs. I say, keep up the good work and may God richly bless each of you. I want you to know there is a payday someday. You might not see it in this life, but one day you will know all the lives and work that came from diligently teaching God's Word. I have already seen much harvest from teaching and directing Children's Bible Drill for 25 years, this coming year. I have had the privilege of seeing my own son teach Youth Bible Drill in his church (Bear Creek). I have seen many of my Bible drillers teach Bible School, Sunday School, and be ushers in their church. I am sure many of you leaders have experienced some of the same benefits by involving your children in these programs of the church. The benefits far outweigh anything negative. So I challenge you again to get involved. Let's work together, involve more churches, and reach more children in the year 2000. This can be one of the good things to happen in the year 2000.

The following children participated in the 1999 Associational Children's Bible Drill. An asterisk (*) indicates a three-year participant.

Bear Creek: Ryan Jarrett, Will Pitman, Jessica Pitman, Keisha Duncan
Beaver Creek: Dustin Silvers, Jessica Burleson, Ashley Bowers
Berry Chapel: *Bryant Greene, Rachel Stafford, Adam Burleson
Central: Emily Varney
Chestnut Grove: *Kyle Lyons, Cassandra Robinson
Crabtree Chapel: Brittany Allen, Charity Biggs, Ryan Renfro, Amy Buchanan
First Baptist: Kyle Baker, Lindsey Phillips, Kathryn Canipe
Freedom: Stacie Freeman, Cetera Harris

Ledger: *Aaron Buchanan
Mine Creek: Andrew Zeidell, Nick McKinney, Cara McKinney, Coree Golabek
Pine Branch: *Adrian Hise, Josh Sullins, Scott Franklin, Tyler Dellinger, Eric Burleson
Roan Mountain: Amber Bennett, Josie Davis

The following youth participated in the 1999 Associational Youth Bible Drill. A double asterisk (**) indicates a six year participant.
Bear Creek: Patrick Willis
Berry Chapel: *Ashley Winters, Ashley Gentry, Jordan Burleson
Crabtree Chapel: Faith Biggs
Freedom: Robert Woody
Mine Creek: Erykah McKinney
Pine Branch: Danielle Moore, *Dustin Frye, *John Mark Sullins, Jennifer Riddle, *Deidre Burleson
Roan Mountain: Kegan Silver, Darren Gardner, Rebecca Gardner

A special "congratulations" to our six-year participants. This is an outstanding accomplishment.

We had only one participant in the Speakers' Tournament this year. This is open to youth in grades 10-12. Kristin Silver from Roan Mountain was our participant. Kristin advanced to Regional Tournament at Valdese and was first runner-up. We thank Kristen for representing Mitchell Association so well.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Burleson

Baptist Foundation

The Mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in increasing an awareness among North Carolina Baptists of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis. The uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased financial support. The Foundation accomplishes these objectives by offering assistance in estate planning counsel, will preparation, planned giving, charitable remainder trusts, endowment funds and church fund management.

During 1998, the Foundation provided assistance to individuals in establishing 28 endowment funds and 11 charitable remainder trusts totaling $1.4 million and received $3.8 million in contributions to existing endowments all of which will ultimately benefit countless Baptist causes on a permanent basis. Programs were provided for 94 churches and associations during the year to promote Make Your Will Month, Christian estate stewardship, and church fund management. Some $639,000 from churches came under management to enhance numerous church

ministries including scholarships, building funds, cemetery funds, benevolence funds, general operating funds and other various mission causes.

The Foundation employs professional money managers to invest these funds according to an investment policy adopted by its Board. Four investment pools are offered: a growth fund, a balanced fund, an income fund and a fixed income fund. During the third quarter of 1998, the Foundation enhanced its position even more by engaging the services of Salomon Smith Barney to help select top money managers in the country.

As of December 31, 1998, the Foundation held $80,874,628 under management. This is an increase of more than $8 million over 1997. During 1998, $1,741,923 was distributed to individuals and $2,772,599 to Baptist work for a total distribution of $4,514,522. During the 79-year history of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., $14,217,160 has been distributed to individuals and $22,305,008 to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $36,522.168.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Howard, Chair, Board of Directors
M. Clay Warf, Executive Director

Baptist Hospital

Hospital Carries the Tradition

In May of 1999, the North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated, celebrated 76 years of service to the community and the region. During these years the Hospital has been faithful to the vision of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. When the Hospital was birthed, the Convention stated the reason for doing so was: to extend the healing ministry which was demonstrated by Jesus Christ. Many challenges have been faced through these years, but the commitment to compassionately strive for innovative excellence has remained the same.

Baptist Benevolent Care Fund

Baptist churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual ingathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1998 the MDO amounted to $530,874. It was used exclusively to help patients who had little or no health care insurance or no other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From the offering this past year, well over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Baptist churches in North Carolina. May God bless all those who supported us with prayers and gave so generously.

Division of Pastoral Care

During the year, the Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education provided worship services in Davis Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, as well as services in the J. Paul Sticht Center. Chaplain supervisors,

residents and interns made more than 50,000 ministry contacts last year. Seventy-five students graduated from the Department's fully accredited Clinical Pastoral Education program. Maurice Briggs retired from the Department in February after 30 years of service. He was known throughout the Hospital for his pastoral presence and the depth of his sensitivity and care.

The Department of Pastoral Counseling/CareNet, Inc. continues to expand its ministries. There are now 13 Christian counseling centers located in strategic areas from Franklin to Wilmington. During the year these professionally staffed centers will provide over 26,000 hours of Christian counseling.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc. continues to expand its mission of helping congregations become healthier communities of faith. Program and assistance offered to churches include: Consultation, Intentional Interim Ministry, and Leadership Development. Resources for ministers include: Young Leaders Program, Leadership Development Group, Interim Ministry Training, and Intentional Interim Ministry training.

Facts About Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center

- With more than 11,000 employees, four restaurants, two banks and a post office that handles more mail than some towns, the Medical Center has been called a city-within-a-city. We are the largest employer in Forsyth and Guilford counties.
- The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated has opened BestHealth, a community health information center, at Hanes Mall in Winston-Salem. The center will provide a library of books, audio and videotapes, limited Internet access, computer software and a variety of on-site programs to help area residents become better informed about their health and how to remain well.
- Building strong relationships with the community is important to us. A recent survey indicates that Medical Center employees donate more than 30,000 hours of volunteer service a year to more than 300 different organizations in our area.

Points of Emphasis and Progress

Gamma Knife - The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated will have the only one in the state by this fall. Patients with inoperable or inaccessible brain lesions benefit from the availability of this noninvasive procedure that gives the same results as surgery but with no need to open the skull or make an incision. This procedure has been found to be three times more effective in treating recurrent cancerous brain tumors than other radiosurigcal tools. The Gamma Knife uses radiation to destroy tumors, vascular malformations and other benign brain lesions with pinpoint accuracy without destroying healthy, normal tissue.

Trauma Center - The Medical Center has the only designated Level I trauma center for northwest North Carolina. In the trauma center our goal is for the patient who needs surgery to be in an operating room 10 minutes after arriving at the Emergency Department. Surgeons, anesthesiologists and staff remain on duty 24 hours a day to handle such emergencies.

NASCAR – The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. is working with Motor Racing Outreach (MRO) to serve the fitness and rehabilitation needs of NASCAR Winston Cup Racing. A mobile fitness and rehabilitation unit is being provided for NASCAR Winston Cup Racing drivers, crews and families.

Ranked Among the Nation's Best – The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. is among the nation's best hospitals in ten of 16 specialties, according to rankings published in the July 1999 issue of U.S. News & World Report. These 10 areas are cancer, cardiology and heart surgery, geriatrics, gynecology, neurology/neurosurgery, orthopedics, otolaryngology, rheumatology, digestive tract, and urology.

Newest Treatment for Epilepsy – Wake Forest University Medical Center offers a new treatment for epilepsy - a "pacemaker for the brain" that can help control seizures in patients who are not helped by medication and are ineligible for surgery.

A Closing Word From the President: From the beginning in 1923, The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated has dared to reach and grasp that which others thought was impossible. For many years we have been thought of as a referral hospital where we received the most severe medical cases. Over the years we have become one of the leading research centers in the Southeastern United States. Each role compliments the other. It is a great challenge to innovatively treat these extremely difficult cases and heartwarming to see our compassionate physicians and staff assist in the healing process. People have learned through the years to expect from us the very best in health care. We are committed to make sure that their highest expectations are always met or exceeded.

Respectfully submitted,
Len B. Preslar, Jr., President

Blue Ridge Youth Center

Praise be to the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! This has been our greatest year, yet, at Blue Ridge Youth Center! From July 1998 through July 1999, 137 young men have been saved and there have been 394 rededications and 49 baptisms. **You and your Association have helped to make this possible through your financial and prayer support. Thank you so very much and may God truly bless you for all you have done.**

There are still many needs to be filled, especially the need for volunteers. But my faith in Jesus and in His people is great and I believe He will impress on His people to supply these needs.

"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

Respectfully submitted,
Russel W. Hoilman, Chaplain

North American Mission Board

The North American Mission Board exists to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, start new Testament congregations, and minister to persons in the name of Christ, and to assist churches in the United States and Canada in effectively performing these functions.

Because we know that God is at work in the world to bring people into relationship with Him through Jesus Christ.

We see a day when every person in every community in the United States and Canada will have the opportunity to hear the gospel, respond with faith in Christ, and participate in a New Testament fellowship of believers.

Therefore, we will work in cooperative partnerships to provide innovative strategies, excellent resources, creative leadership, and focused response to ministry needs, opportunities and initiatives which effectively mobilize Christians and local churches to be on mission with God in reaching their communities with the gospel and establishing effective congregations.

Our missionary force of 5,000 jointly supported missionaries will continue to be vital to the front line of hands-on ministry. NAMB calls on Southern Baptists to renew and strengthen their support of our missionaries by praying for them, serving alongside them as missions volunteers, and giving sacrifically to the Cooperative Program and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

State Missions

The state missions offering is North Carolina Baptists' way of supporting hands-on ministry in our state and wherever in the world it's needed. Here are just a few examples of the many ways we reach out to demonstrate the power of God's love.

Homes swept away, trees stripped bare, mud where fertile fields once lay...this was the aftermath of the hurricanes that rampaged across the Caribbean and Central America last year. Parts of North Carolina didn't look much different when floods and tornadoes struck our state. Equipped by the support through this offering, the hands of North Carolina's Baptists went to work, serving meals, shoveling mud, and laying block for new homes.

The loud crash of prison cell doors closing is a familiar sound to those imprisoned for varied acts of violence. North Carolina Baptists, through the state missions work, are reaching out to inmates and their families by leading Bible studies, conducting conflict resolution classes and supporting the MATCH program which teaches parenting skills to prisoners and provides "bonding" time with their children. Baptist-sponsored summer camps for prisoners' children teach them how to make good choices and sometimes hear for the first time that Jesus loves them.

Starting over in a strange country with a strange language – that's a challenge faced by more and more immigrants arriving here in North Carolina. In 1998,

Baptist congregations in our state reached out their hands to their new neighbors. With State Missions, they established 30 new language ministries, from Bible studies to entire new churches with 30 more new works scheduled to be planted in 1999.

Most of the North Carolina Missions Offering supports projects in the 80 associations (covering all 100 counties) across North Carolina. Many North Carolina Missions Offering projects are actually association/state missions programs receiving money and leadership support from both the Baptist State Convention and local associations.

Our state missions includes: Prison ministries Disaster relief, Migrant ministries, Leisure ministries, Special needs ministries, Associational ministries, Medical-Dental van, Clothes Closets/Food Pantries, Child Advocacy, Deaf Missions, Medical Aviation, Hope Builders, Agriculture Missions, Sports Evangelism, Ministry to Missionaries, New Church Starts, and Christian Women's Job Corp. The North Carolina Missions Offering also supports NC Woman's Missionary, NC Baptist Men (Brotherhood) and many of the Missions Division's vital ministries.

Our State Missions offering and our State Missions work provides North Carolina Baptists with many opportunities to receive the blessings that come with serving as the....Hands of God.

Cooperative Program

The Convention will soon be celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Cooperative Program, a unified plan of giving adopted by Southern Baptists in 1925.

What is the Cooperative Program? Southern Baptists have defined the Cooperative Program as..."a financial channel of cooperation between the state conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention which makes it possible for all persons making undesignated gifts through their church to support the missionary, education, and benevolent work in their state convention, and also the work of the Southern Baptist Convention." One man once said, "The Cooperative Program is the glue which holds Southern Baptists together and enables them to stick to the Great Commission." Another said, "The Cooperative Program allows me to go where I cannot go, and do what I cannot do."

The denominational structure of Baptists in this country was begun in order to unite the efforts of the churches in accomplishing the mission that Christ gave His church in the world. The Southern Baptist Convention was organized to extend the mission of the church from the local community into the world. This is the only reason for the denomination since the mission of the church and the ultimate purpose of Christianity in the world are the same.

The search for an effective method to accomplish this mission did not come easily for Southern Baptists. For 80 years many methods were tried in an attempt to unite the efforts of the churches to fulfill the Great Commission. The endeavor which led Southern Baptists to conceive the Cooperative Program was the $75 million Campaign which began in 1919.

This campaign was a five-year program to raise $75 million to support the mission concerns of Southern Baptists. The campaign appeared to have failed when in 1924 the amount received was $13 million short of the goal. However, through this experience Southern Baptist leaders realized what could be done when the efforts of the Southern Baptist churches were earnestly united behind one purpose. Out of this realization the Cooperative Program was born in 1925 and has become the "genius" of a denomination of ordinary people who have since multiplied into the most effective Christian denomination in the world.

In 1962, Mrs. W.C. James, at the age of 90, was living in a nursing home in Richmond, Virginia. In a few months she would go home to meet the Lord. She was asked the question: "You were president of our Woman's Missionary Union, and a member of that small group which recommended the establishment of the Cooperative Program. Why did you do it, Mrs. James?"

She answered, "It belonged in our Southern Baptist Convention. We just had to cooperate. We had tried everything else. There was no other way."

Then she was asked, "How do you feel about it now?" She responded, "I believe in it more than ever. I'm proud to have had a share in its beginning. We would never have grown as we have without it. God led us to start this program. I don't recall all the reasons; but I'll be on the other side before long, and everything will be clear. I pray every morning for the Cooperative Program. My part in it was the most important thing I ever did. Tell Baptists to keep it going!

The Cooperative Program has no inherently geographical, economical, or racial prejudice. It is money given for state missions, North American missions, world missions, for all peoples throughout the earth who need a Savior. The Cooperative Program is, without dispute, the greatest voluntary funding program in the history of Christiandom. It supports more than 9,000 foreign and home missionaries.

As we move into the year 2000 and celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Cooperative Program, may Southern Baptists standing upon the shoulders of our forefathers, be found as "Partners in the Harvest," telling Baptists to keep it going!

Annuity Board

Our mission is to serve Southern Baptists by providing retirement, relief, insurance and investment to meet the needs of active and retired Southern Baptist church and denominational employees, missionaries, churches and organizations. We also solicit, receive and administer funds for ministers or their widows in need.

You may call the Annuity Board through a toll-free number – 1-800-262-0511. You have automated 24-hour access to such information as retirement plan investment descriptions and performances, your retirement plan account balance, the current annuity funding rate and insurance plan descriptions. The value of Annuity Board funds now is calculated daily to account for changes in the stock and fixed-income markets. Daily valuation allows the Annuity Board to offer up-to-date account information, fund performance, and/or net asset value

information., faster processing of transfer requests, timely investment of contributions, and transaction processing.

The Annuity Board works with your state Baptist convention to provide your individual financial security needs.

Director of Missions

The past year has been a very exciting time for our association as we make preparations to celebrate our 150th anniversary. As I look to the past and the great men and events that helped make this association what it is today, I feel challenged. Their commitment was real and their sacrifices were many.

These men and women of God accomplished so much with so little. Today we have so much but accomplish so little. The challenge that I feel for our association is simple. It is to begin anew to carry on the great traditions of our forefathers. Not the crippling traditions that rob us of vision and excitement, but the traditions that insures a close personal walk with God and that souls are born into the Kingdom of God. This is what has made our association great.

God is alive and well in Mitchell County. His presence is manifested every day in a number of different ways and through many channels; not the least of which is Mitchell Baptist Association. Let us rise to the challenge set before us. As the opportunities present themselves, may we do our best in the coming year to reach this county for the cause of Christ.

Printed below is a list of ministry objectives that were completed this year or have been scheduled for the coming year. For more detailed information about these ministries, please call the associational office at 765-9412.

- Disaster Recovery Trailer Ministry
- Walnut Avenue Apartments Ministry
- Evangelism Blitz
- Oklahoma Disaster Relief
- Bible Drill
- Sunday School Team Training
- World Missions Conference (July, 2000)
- Alaska Mission Partnership
- Appalachian Mountain Ministries
- Prayer Station Ministries
- Scripture in School Ministry
- Christmas at Broyhill Children's Home
- Blue Ridge Youth Center
- Hispanic Ministry

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Whetstine

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SNOW HILL: Stephen Howell, Rt. 3, Box 120-A, Bakersville
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Zip Codes

Bakersville	28705
Burnsville	28714
Elizabethton, TN	37643
Little Switzerland	28749
Marion	28752
Marshall	28753
Mars Hill	28754
Micaville	28755
Newland	28657
Spruce Pine	28777

*HISTORICAL TABLE

DATE	PLACE	MODERATOR	CLERK	ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON
1972	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland/N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mountain/Pine Branch	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig/Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill/Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele/John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis/R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Creek/S.P. First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton/Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel/Beaver Creek	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps/Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Branch/Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield/Lee Ayers
1979	Snow Hill/Roan Mountain	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan/Gerold Grindstaff
1980	S.P. First/Mine Creek	Maurice Gilliam	M.W. Blanton	Jim Gore/Earl Henry
1981	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Astor Buchanan/Jim Mizell
1982	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Howard Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Stuart White/Jack Callahan
1983	Liberty Hill/Berry Chapel	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Don Stafford/Ernest Howell
1984	Bear Creek/Pine Branch	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Frank Blevins/Jay Orr
1985	Crabtree Chapel/Altapass	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	Garland Higgins/Sam Brewer
1986	Mt. Carmel/S.P. First	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	James Lankford
1987	Bear Creek/Grassy Creek	Walter Ponder	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff
1988	Berry Chapel/Roan Mountain	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Walter Ponder
1989	Liberty Hill/Bakersville	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Sibbald Lambert
1990	Bear Creek/Altapass	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Dallas Renfro
1991	Mount Carmel/Crabtree Chapel	Larry Greene	Judy Greer	Astor Buchanan/Bob McCurry
1992	Liberty Hill/Cane Creek	Charles Murrell	Judy Greer	Steve Sisk/William Whitfield
1993	Freedom/Silver Chapel	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Martin Fisher/George Gouge
1994	Pine Branch/Snow Hill	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Erby McKinney/David Troutman
1995	Bear Creek/Altapass	Dallas Renfro	Judy Greer	George Gouge/Tom Watson
1996	Beaver Creek/Roan Mountain	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff/Russell McKinney
1997	Mount Carmel/Cane Creek	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Mark McKinney/Fred Proctor
1998	Pine Branch/Berry Chapel	David Troutman	Judy Greer	Matthew Stephens/Kenneth Gaskin
1999	Liberty Hill/Grassy Creek	David Troutman	Judy Greer	Lee Ayers/David Johnson

*Partial List - For complete list, consult 1995 Minutes.

STATISTICAL TABLES

MEMBER AND CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

1 - Total Membership
2 - Resident Membership
4 - Other Additions
5 - New Member Training
6 - Year Organized
7 - Year Pastor Came
8 - Location (A-J)
9 - AM Worship Att.
10 - Church-Type Missions Started
11 - Church-Type Missions Operating
12 - Lost/Unchurched
13 - Assoc. Mis. on % Basis
14 - intercessory Prayer
Racial Ethnic Group (1-7)

CONGREGATION	C/M	COUNTY	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Race
ALTAPASS	C	Mitchell	323	313	7	0	1925	1987	A	1,500	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
BEAR CREEK	C	Mitchell	741	621	11	3	1830	1988	A	345	0	0	N	Y	N	1
BEAVER CREEK	C	Mitchell	267	184	0	0	1906	1994	A	69	0	0	N	Y	N	1
BERRY CHAPEL	C	Mitchell	506	443	0	0	1934	1999	C	150	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
BIG CRABTREE	C	Mitchell	212	174	2	0	1925	1999	A	62	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	Mitchell	49	45	1	0	1849	1983	A	40	0	0	Y	N	N	1
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	Mitchell	43	10	0	0	1872	1998	A	14	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
CALVARY	C	Mitchell	138	125	0	0	1949	1991	A	53	0	1	Y	Y	N	1
CANE CREEK	C	Mitchell	121	121	0	0	1869		A	70	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
CENTRAL	C	Mitchell	272	215	2	0	1932		C	71	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	Mitchell	221	115	0	0	1923		A	45	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	Yancey	214	214	3	0	1966	1996	A	70	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
FIRST BAPTIST	C	Mitchell	551	391	5	0	1908	1998	C	179	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	Mitchell	104	62	7	0	1861	1999	A	35	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
FREEDOM	C	Mitchell	282	282	5	0	1988	1989	A	180	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
FRIENDSHIP	C	Mitchell	70	70	9	0	1997	1997	C	40	0	0	Y	N	N	1
GRASSY CREEK	C	Mitchell	0	0	0	0	1818		C	156	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
LEDGER	C	Mitchell	110	83	2	2	1955	1999	A	35	0	0	N	Y	N	1
LIBERTY HILL	C	Mitchell	442	364	6	15	1866	1997	A	125	0	0	Y	N	N	1
LILY BRANCH	C	Mitchell	236	176	7	0	1859	1995	A	82	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	Mitchell	62	60	2	0	1884	1997	A	48	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
MCKINNEY COVE	C	Mitchell	130	106	0	4	1888	1999	A	44	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
MINE CREEK	C	Mitchell	135	126	14	0	1849	1997	A	92	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
MOUNT CARMEL	C	Mitchell	422	160	2	0	1925	1994	C	90	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	Mitchell	50	28	0	0	1932	1999	A	26	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
PINE BRANCH	C	Mitchell	546	435	5	13	1921		C	185	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	Mitchell	233	169	1	0	1813	1999	A	52	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
SILVER CHAPEL	C	Mitchell	150	108	0	0	1885	1993	A	65	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
SNOW HILL	C	Mitchell	222	218	4	1	1915	1989	A	62	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
SPRING CREEK	C	Mitchell	161	143	3	0	1916	1975	A	110	0	0	Y	N	N	1
TOECANE	C	Mitchell	52	50	0	0	1916	1978	A	32	0	0	N	N	N	1
VISION MISSIONARY	C	Madison	70	70	7	0	1998	1998	A	71	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
WHITE OAK	C	Mitchell	125	56	0	0	1884		A	34	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
Association Total:			**7,260**	**5,737**	**105**	**38**				**4,232**	**0**	**1**				

BAPTISM INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

3 - Total Baptisms
3a - Baptisms Under 6
3b - Baptisms Age 6-8
3c - Baptisms Age 9-11
3d - Baptisms Age 12-17
3e - Baptisms Age 18-29
3f - Baptisms Age 30-59
3g - Baptisms 60-Up

CONGREGATION	C/M	3	3a	3b	3c	3d	3e	3f	3g
ALTAPASS	C	9	0	3	2	3	0	1	0
BEAR CREEK	C	8	0	3	2	1	2	0	0
BEAVER CREEK	C	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	C	6	0	0	2	0	3	1	0
BIG CRABTREE	C	5	0	1	1	2	1	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY	C	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL	C	6	0	3	1	0	2	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	6	0	1	4	1	0	0	0
FIRST BAPTIST	C	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	4	0	0	1	0	0	3	0
FREEDOM	C	7	0	1	1	0	2	3	0
FRIENDSHIP	C	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEDGER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY HILL	C	9	0	0	2	2	5	0	0
LILY BRANCH	C	4	0	0	0	1	0	3	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	C	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
MINE CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNT CARMEL	C	6	0	0	3	3	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	C	13	0	7	4	0	0	1	1
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	C	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL	C	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
SPRING CREEK	C	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
TOECANE	C	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
VISION MISSIONARY	C	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	C	6	0	1	4	0	1	0	0
	Association Total:	112	0	24	33	19	18	16	2

BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

15 - Total SS Enrollment | 15a - Preschool Birth-5 | 15b - Children 6-11 | 15c - Youth 12-17 | 15d - Adults 18-24 | 15e - Adults 25-34 | 15f - Adults 35-54 | 15g - Adults 55-Up | 15h - General Officers | 15i - Other Bible Study | 16 - SS Avg Weekly Att. | 17 - SS Not Cong. Members | 18 - Vacation Bible School

CONGREGATION	C/M	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15e	15f	15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
ALTAPASS	C	145	18	17	13	1	13	11	18	24	30	88	12	231
BEAR CREEK	C	428	16	42	35	90	50	90	96	9	0	290	6	140
BEAVER CREEK	C	49	5	3	8	2	0	0	29	2	0	45	0	60
BERRY CHAPEL	C	128	12	20	17	5	5	15	40	6	8	120	20	165
BIG CRABTREE	C	70	8	10	7	10	11	12	10	2	0	70	5	68
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	40	3	8	8	5	10	3	3	0	0	40	3	45
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	19	2	2	0	0	1	2	7	5	0	14	1	0
CALVARY	C	67	8	5	5	0	11	13	17	1	7	50	0	30
CANE CREEK	C	70	5	6	6	4	10	21	18	0	0	55	6	60
CENTRAL	C	133	8	16	11	6	16	45	26	5	0	68	5	72
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	58	3	4	4	4	8	6	26	3	0	38	0	34
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	88	8	12	5	3	11	17	28	4	0	58	5	69
FIRST BAPTIST	C	270	15	40	31	8	8	95	46	7	20	154	6	80
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	37	6	3	5	1	3	2	5	12	0	20	0	0
FREEDOM	C	177	25	26	7	15	30	46	24	4	0	103	10	111
FRIENDSHIP	C	37	0	2	7	1	2	11	11	3	0	30	4	33
GRASSY CREEK	C	180	23	30	22	5	20	35	37	8	0	125	0	168
LEDGER	C	38	4	6	3	0	4	9	6	6	0	28	5	28
LIBERTY HILL	C	163	15	23	12	0	25	39	43	6	0	106	0	68
LILY BRANCH	C	78	5	4	5	5	14	18	25	2	0	50	0	43
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	65	1	4	6	7	5	24	18	0	0	40	18	49
MCKINNEY COVE	C	73	4	12	4	3	13	23	10	4	0	44	2	60
MINE CREEK	C	118	15	9	18	5	15	10	35	11	0	60	15	36
MOUNT CARMEL	C	161	16	20	19	13	17	6	61	3	6	82	15	109
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	23	0	1	2	0	0	3	17	0	0	15	4	0
PINE BRANCH	C	216	12	22	22	13	29	58	49	5	6	137	3	115
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	77	4	16	10	5	0	20	20	2	0	52	4	35
SILVER CHAPEL	C	59	4	2	5	8	4	15	17	4	0	55	0	28
SNOW HILL	C	66	4	7	4	2	9	10	8	2	20	47	2	55
SPRING CREEK	C	133	11	11	12	13	20	23	35	8	0	100	9	65
TOECANE	C	32	4	3	2	0	4	9	10	0	0	27	0	15
VISION MISSIONARY	C	86	8	6	10	6	0	20	34	2	0	67	0	66
WHITE OAK	C	47	2	3	12	2	4	12	9	3	0	34	0	75
Association Total:		**3,431**	**274**	**395**	**337**	**242**	**372**	**723**	**838**	**153**	**97**	**2,312**	**160**	**2,213**

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

19 - Total Ongoing Discipleship Training
19a - Ongoing Presch. B-5
19b - Ongoing Child. 6-11
19c - Ongoing Youth 12-17
19d - Ongoing Adult 18-Up
19e - DT Gen. Officers
20 - Total Short-Term DT
20a - Short-Term Preschool
20b - Short-Term Children
20c - Short-Term Youth
20d - Short-Term Adults - Gen. Officers
DTEN(19+20) - Total DT Enrollment/Participation

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
ALTAPASS	C	20	0	2	0	16	2	12	0	0	2	10	32
BEAR CREEK	C	106	4	12	15	70	5	20	0	4	3	13	126
BEAVER CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	C	17	0	0	15	0	2	31	0	22	7	2	48
BIG CRABTREE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	12	0	5	5	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	14
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	28	2	3	3	18	2	0	0	0	0	0	28
FIRST BAPTIST	C	33	0	8	25	0	0	70	0	0	25	45	103
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	11	12	21	50	94
FRIENDSHIP	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	0	3
LEDGER	C	19	0	1	0	16	2	28	0	0	0	28	47
LIBERTY HILL	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LILY BRANCH	C	19	0	3	3	11	2	0	0	0	0	0	19
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	21	0	2	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
MCKINNEY COVE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINE CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	10	5	6	21
MOUNT CARMEL	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	12	26	30	5	73
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL	C	20	2	4	2	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	20
SPRING CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOECANE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VISION MISSIONARY	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	C	21	0	3	10	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	21
	Association Total:	316	8	43	78	167	20	354	23	76	94	161	670

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

21- Total Music Ministry Enrollment
21a - Preschool 3-5 yrs.
21b - Children 6-11 yrs.
21c - Youth 12-17 yrs.
21d - Adult Choir 18-Up
21e - Other Music Groups

CONGREGATION	C/M	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
ALTAPASS	C	65	6	5	7	35	12
BEAR CREEK	C	133	12	10	24	63	24
BEAVER CREEK	C	36	3	4	5	16	8
BERRY CHAPEL	C	80	5	15	18	37	5
BIG CRABTREE	C	47	1	10	6	24	6
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	4	3	1	0	0	0
CALVARY	C	31	5	3	0	23	0
CANE CREEK	C	40	5	4	5	21	5
CENTRAL	C	49	5	10	9	25	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	24	0	2	4	18	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	25	0	4	3	18	0
FIRST BAPTIST	C	94	5	12	27	30	20
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	27	6	3	6	12	0
FREEDOM	C	68	3	12	15	38	0
FRIENDSHIP	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	72	5	20	18	29	0
LEDGER	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY HILL	C	64	8	7	12	29	8
LILY BRANCH	C	29	0	3	6	20	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	C	38	0	3	2	33	0
MINE CREEK	C	56	3	7	11	30	5
MOUNT CARMEL	C	27	0	0	6	20	1
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	9	0	0	2	4	3
PINE BRANCH	C	91	12	16	24	32	7
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	42	0	12	0	20	10
SILVER CHAPEL	C	20	0	0	4	16	0
SNOW HILL	C	27	4	6	3	14	0
SPRING CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOECANE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
VISION MISSIONARY	C	22	0	0	0	22	0
WHITE OAK	C	33	0	8	5	20	0
	Association Total:	**1,253**	**91**	**177**	**222**	**649**	**114**

MISSIONS EDUCATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

23 - Total WMU Enrollment | 23a - Ages Birth-5 | 23b - Ages 6-11 | 23c - Ages 12-17 | 23d - Ages 18-Up | 23e - WMU Ldrship Team | 24 - Total Brotherhood Enrollment | 24a - Ages 6-11 | 24b - Ages 12-17 | 24c - Ages 18-Up | 24d - Mission Action Groups | 25 - Oth. Missions Education

CONGREGATION	C/M	23	23a	23b	23c	23d	23e	24	24a	24b	24c	24d	25
ALTAPASS	C	12	2	5	5	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	0
BEAR CREEK	C	76	12	12	12	30	10	36	10	6	20	0	0
BEAVER CREEK	C	11	0	0	11	0	0	6	0	0	6	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	C	83	12	15	30	18	8	44	12	0	22	10	0
BIG CRABTREE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL	C	14	0	3	3	6	2	24	12	2	6	4	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	17	0	4	0	11	2	10	1	1	8	0	0
FIRST BAPTIST	C	83	3	6	16	52	6	47	9	10	25	3	0
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM	C	22	0	0	0	22	0	12	0	0	12	0	0
FRIENDSHIP	C	9	0	0	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	33	0	0	0	26	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEDGER	C	9	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY HILL	C	31	0	3	8	16	4	54	2	3	20	29	4
LILY BRANCH	C	12	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	C	8	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
MINE CREEK	C	51	7	8	6	25	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNT CARMEL	C	32	10	6	0	12	4	12	1	0	11	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	C	76	4	18	13	33	8	35	12	18	5	0	0
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	18	0	5	0	10	3	8	0	0	8	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING CREEK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOECANE	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VISION MISSIONARY	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHITE OAK	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	3	5	0	0
Association Total:		597	50	85	106	293	63	300	61	45	148	46	11

GENERAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

26 - Undesignated Gifts
27 - Designated Gifts
28 - Other Receipts
TREC(26+27+28) - Total Receipts
36 - Value - Cong. Property
37 - Congregational Debt

CONGREGATION	C/M	26	27	28	TREC	36	37
ALTAPASS	C	$108,111	$28,345	$0	$136,456	$400,000	$0
BEAR CREEK	C	$328,007	$24,717	$0	$352,724	$1,600,000	$0
BEAVER CREEK	C	$44,920	$6,161	$0	$51,081	$700,000	$0
BERRY CHAPEL	C	$77,382	$10,504	$0	$87,886	$950,000	$0
BIG CRABTREE	C	$31,681	$5,191	$0	$36,872	$150,500	$0
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$150,000	$0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	$15,845	$0	$0	$15,845	$205,000	$0
CALVARY	C	$49,152	$1,500	$0	$50,652	$265,000	$0
CANE CREEK	C	$34,779	$14,938	$0	$49,717	$200,000	$0
CENTRAL	C	$96,218	$18,850	$0	$115,068	$100,000	$0
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	$25,564	$4,351	$0	$29,915	$496,300	$0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	$55,608	$5,737	$0	$61,345	$250,000	$13,239
FIRST BAPTIST	C	$294,121	$35,054	$129,713	$458,888	$2,500,000	$98,000
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	$10,270	$5,245	$0	$15,515	$150,000	$0
FREEDOM	C	$119,488	$27,295	$0	$146,783	$500,000	$0
FRIENDSHIP	C	$31,599	$3,600	$0	$35,199	$60,000	$65,000
GRASSY CREEK	C	$147,799	$38,355	$0	$186,154	$600,000	$0
LEDGER	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$460,000	$0
LIBERTY HILL	C	$83,126	$39,029	$0	$122,155	$650,000	$0
LILY BRANCH	C	$83,023	$17,402	$98	$100,523	$600,000	$0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	$40,005	$13,081	$0	$53,086	$150,000	$0
MCKINNEY COVE	C	$66,720	$10,831	$0	$77,551	$250,000	$0
MINE CREEK	C	$41,500	$5,000	$0	$46,500	$400,000	$0
MOUNT CARMEL	C	$82,229	$6,926	$0	$89,155	$420,000	$0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	$6,556	$2,645	$0	$9,201	$50,000	$0
PINE BRANCH	C	$148,275	$27,035	$8,110	$183,420	$1,040,000	$0
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	$67,254	$4,758	$0	$72,012	$300,000	$0
SILVER CHAPEL	C	$51,686	$2,389	$4,761	$58,836	$500,000	$0
SNOW HILL	C	$50,882	$6,328	$0	$57,210	$265,000	$0
SPRING CREEK	C	$70,652	$0	$0	$70,652	$210,000	$0
TOECANE	C	$200	$829	$7,416	$8,445	$77,000	$0
VISION MISSIONARY	C	$46,432	$8,937	$0	$55,369	$30,000	$0
WHITE OAK	C	$31,931	$1,440	$0	$33,371	$230,000	$2,000
Association Total:		**$2,341,015**	**$376,473**	**$150,098**	**$2,867,586**	**$14,908,800**	**$178,239**

MISSION FINANCIAL INFORMATION

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

29 - Cooperative Program
30 - Assoc. Missions
31 - State Missions
32 - Annie Armstrong
33 - Lottie Moon
34 - Other SBC Miss. Exp.
35 - Non-SBC Miss. Exp.
TME(29thru35) - Total Mission Expenditures

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	TME
ALTAPASS	C	$500	$3,231	$0	$2,276	$3,543	$10,754	$10,634	$30,938
BEAR CREEK	C	$18,000	$4,000	$3,000	$3,500	$16,297	$6,670	$80,287	$131,754
BEAVER CREEK	C	$2,361	$1,894	$2,361	$632	$711	$2,396	$0	$10,355
BERRY CHAPEL	C	$5,241	$2,245	$0	$0	$764	$0	$1,305	$9,555
BIG CRABTREE	C	$1,286	$1,280	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$2,566
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	$462	$931	$817	$133	$149	$385	$2,000	$4,877
CALVARY	C	$0	$2,490	$1,100	$0	$500	$0	$420	$4,510
CANE CREEK	C	$600	$900	$900	$780	$1,282	$0	$0	$4,462
CENTRAL	C	$8,633	$2,882	$0	$1,931	$2,272	$775	$18,109	$34,602
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	$0	$45	$0	$712	$773	$0	$2,352	$3,882
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	$2,380	$1,410	$0	$357	$501	$1,227	$9,917	$15,792
FIRST BAPTIST	C	$29,200	$600	$1,460	$928	$1,532	$8,260	$28,650	$70,630
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	$1,460	$355	$0	$190	$248	$0	$496	$2,749
FREEDOM	C	$0	$15,834	$6,050	$1,122	$2,882	$8,639	$4,842	$39,369
FRIENDSHIP	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
GRASSY CREEK	C	$14,780	$3,283	$0	$2,136	$3,852	$1,108	$4,911	$30,070
LEDGER	C	$1,500	$1,400	$0	$500	$1,000	$0	$0	$4,400
LIBERTY HILL	C	$2,400	$2,025	$427	$0	$1,258	$0	$0	$6,110
LILY BRANCH	C	$9,133	$3,736	$2,460	$3,566	$4,807	$5,075	$5,393	$34,170
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	$0	$2,703	$0	$174	$1,083	$5,503	$5,263	$14,726
MCKINNEY COVE	C	$1,900	$1,155	$300	$931	$1,613	$1,753	$5,847	$13,499
MINE CREEK	C	$0	$1,000	$250	$308	$250	$0	$3,000	$4,808
MOUNT CARMEL	C	$4,408	$2,460	$3,282	$720	$1,618	$817	$3,596	$16,901
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	$0	$0	$0	$230	$172	$0	$490	$892
PINE BRANCH	C	$15,154	$3,049	$1,000	$1,173	$10,118	$1,799	$14,750	$47,043
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	$5,308	$2,949	$0	$1,570	$2,190	$0	$3,990	$16,007
SILVER CHAPEL	C	$1,600	$2,602	$0	$1,331	$2,046	$0	$559	$8,138
SNOW HILL	C	$3,278	$1,405	$400	$400	$490	$17	$0	$5,990
SPRING CREEK	C	$0	$480	$0	$0	$0	$1,132	$5,724	$7,336
TOECANE	C	$0	$0	$0	$0	$200	$750	$0	$950
VISION MISSIONARY	C	$1,507	$455	$753	$0	$112	$0	$0	$2,827
WHITE OAK	C	$0	$200	$0	$200	$339	$2,179	$1,100	$4,018
	Association Total:	$131,091	$66,999	$24,560	$25,800	$62,602	$59,239	$213,635	$583,926

MISSIONS INVOLVEMENT

MITCHELL

Items Reported:

22 - Miss. Proj. Part.
22a - Local Community
22b - State/National
22c - International

CONGREGATION	C/M	22	22a	22b	22c
ALTAPASS	C	0	0	0	0
BEAR CREEK	C	2	0	0	2
BEAVER CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
BERRY CHAPEL	C	40	20	20	0
BIG CRABTREE	C	0	0	0	0
BIG ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
BLACK MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0
CALVARY	C	0	0	0	0
CANE CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL	C	20	8	12	0
CHESTNUT GROVE	C	0	0	0	0
CRABTREE CHAPEL	C	0	0	0	0
FIRST BAPTIST	C	46	35	6	5
FORK MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0
FREEDOM	C	0	0	0	0
FRIENDSHIP	C	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	18	18	0	0
LEDGER	C	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY HILL	C	42	29	11	2
LILY BRANCH	C	7	7	0	0
LITTLE ROCK CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
MCKINNEY COVE	C	7	7	0	0
MINE CREEK	C	12	6	4	2
MOUNT CARMEL	C	0	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN VIEW	C	0	0	0	0
PINE BRANCH	C	13	5	3	5
ROAN MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0
SILVER CHAPEL	C	0	0	0	0
SNOW HILL	C	0	0	0	0
SPRING CREEK	C	5	0	1	4
TOECANE	C	0	0	0	0
VISION MISSIONARY	C	23	15	8	0
WHITE OAK	C	17	0	17	0
	Association Total:	**252**	**150**	**82**	**20**

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152nd Annual Session

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2000

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Lily Branch Baptist Church
Bakersville, NC

The next Annual Session to be held with
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August 27, 2001

Snow Hill Baptist Church
Bakersville, NC
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DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Director of Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Rt. 2, Box 1018, Burnsville
Moderator ..... Rev. Steve Williams
3171 Snow Creek Rd., Bakersville
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Martin Fisher
676 Henry Worley Lane, Marshall
Clerk ..... Judy Greer
140 Hill St., Spruce Pine
Treasurer ..... Cody McKinney
P.O. Box 1137, Spruce Pine
Historian ..... Buster Sparks
251 Ledger School Rd., Bakersville
Sunday School Director ..... Chris Renfro
190 Fisher Rd., Spruce Pine
Brotherhood Director ..... Eddie Williams
7158 Crabtree Rd., Spruce Pine
W.M.U. Director ..... Marlene Ayers
1302 Green Young Cemetery Rd., Bakersville
Church Music Director ..... David Thayer
1261 Wipprecht Dr., Spruce Pine
Evangelism Chairman ..... Rev. Steve Sisk
94 Altapass Trail, Spruce Pine
Missions Committee Chairman ..... Rev. Randy Bonner
90 Thomas Rd., Spruce Pine
Youth ..... Shane Buchanan
1496 Slagle Rd., Spruce Pine
Bible Drill Director ..... Martha Burleson
342 Hamburg Rd., Bakersville

ASSOCIATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Moderator ..... Rev. Steve Williams
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Martin Fisher
Clerk ..... Judy Greer
Treasurer ..... Cody McKinney
Sunday School Director ..... Chris Renfro
WMU Director ..... Marlene Ayers
Brotherhood Director ..... Eddie Williams
Historian ..... Buster Sparks

W.M.U. DIRECTORY

W.M.U. Director ..... Marlene Ayers
1302 Green Young Cemetery Rd., Bakersville
Secretary ..... Nora Nell Jarrett
4680 Hwy. 226 South, Bakersville
G.A. Director ..... Amy Ellis
53 Spruce Pine Campground Rd., Spruce Pine
Acteens Director ..... Susie Buchanan
P.O. Box 891, Spruce Pine
Women on Mission ..... Nina Buchanan
1019 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine
Missions Consultant ..... Beulah Burleson
614 Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine

PASTORS' CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President ..... Rev. Greg Hollifield
108 Beechtree Lane, Spruce Pine
Vice-President ..... Rev. Bob McKinney
P.O. Box 893, Bakersville
Secretary/Treasurer ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
160 Rabbit Hop Rd., Spruce Pine

COMMITTEES FOR THE 2000-2001 SESSION

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. John Chick
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Rev. Martin Fisher
Term Expiring 2003 ..... Rev. Randy Bonner, Chairman

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
..... Rev. David Troutman
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Rev. Fred Proctor
..... Rev. Jay Orr
Term Expiring 2003 ..... Rev. Steve Sisk, Chairman
..... Rev. Russell McKinney

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Frank Fox
Term Expiring 2003 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan, Chairman

ORDINATION EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2001 ..... Rev. Steve Sisk
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Rev. Bob McKinney
Term Expiring 2003 ..... Rev. David Johnson, Chairman
Plus the Moderator, the Director of Missions, and the Candidate's pastor.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 2001 ..... Alvin Livingston
Term Expiring 2002 ..... Monroe Bridges
Term Expiring 2003 ..... Rev. Don Ford, Chairman

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

	North	Central	South
Term Expiring 2001	Rev. Dallas Renfro Little Rock Creek	Rev. Ken Murphy Mine Creek	Kenny Burleson Berry Chapel
Term Expiring 2002	Tony Honeycutt Big Rock Creek	Rev. Steve Williams Lily Branch	Phillip Henline Beaver Creek
Term Expiring 2003	Eldon Cooke Calvary	James Miller Bear Creek	Melanie Slagle Mount Carmel

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the listed Associational officers, all pastors, and the following elected by the churches.)

BEAR CREEK ..... Leonard Wiggins
109 Church Rd., Bakersville
BERRY CHAPEL ..... Jean Pitman
516 Altapass Hwy., Spruce Pine
CENTRAL ..... Jerry Hodge
273 North Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
1651 Carters Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine

CRABTREE CHAPEL ..... Tim Blevins
Rt. 2, Box 301, Burnsville
FREEDOM ..... Stacy Thomas
326 Thomas Rd., Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK ..... Ken Hollifield
Rt. 1, Box 887, Spruce Pine
LIBERTY HILL ..... Max Cabe
125 Cliff Buchanan, Rd., Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH ..... Kenny Huskins
15 Lily Branch Dr., Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK ..... Tommie L. Edwards
184 Snowdrift Dr., Bakersville
MCKINNEY COVE ..... Marlene Ayers
1302 Green Young Cemetery Rd., Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL ..... Avery Buchanan
96 West Mountain Dr., Spruce Pine
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST ..... Jean Warren
7 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine
VISION MISSIONARY ..... Michael Garrison
146 Kelly Hunter Rd., Mars Hill
WESTERN CAROLINA ..... Richard Baker
477 Sunrise Ridge Rd., Spruce Pine

SERMONS FOR 2001 SESSIONS

Monday ..... Rev. Greg Hollifield
Tuesday ..... Rev. B.G. McMahan

TRUSTEES

Lee Sparks, Alvin Livingston, Walter Hoyle, Windle Young

MINISTERS ORDAINED DURING THE YEAR

FORK MOUNTAIN ..... Rev. Monroe Cooke
1365 McKinney Mine Rd., Spruce Pine
FREEDOM ..... Rev. Greg Hollifield
108 Beechtree Lane, Spruce Pine

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. Russell McKinney - Chairman, Rev. B.G. McMahan, Rev. John Chick

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Steve Sisk - Chairman, Rev. Greg Hollifield, Rev. Bob McKinney

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff - Chairman, Rev. Mark McKinney, Rev. Greg Hollifield

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Dallas Renfro - Chairman, Rev. Steve Williams, Rev. Mark McKinney

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

ALTAPASS: Rev. Steve Sisk, Carol Sisk, Gladys Saxon, Ray Saxon, Chuck Pendley, George Buchanan, Louella Polechio, LouAnn Byrd, Cal Byrd, Joe Biddix

BEAR CREEK: Rev. Howard Buchanan, Kathleen Buchanan, James Miller, Marie Rosa Miller, Mitzie Wilson, Phillip Wilson, Frank Woody, Elizabeth Woody, Irene Sparks

BEAVER CREEK: Rev. John Chick, Phillip Henline, Mary Henline, Anna Mae Carpenter, Beulah Burleson, Ruth Ayers, Nina Buchanan

BERRY CHAPEL: Rev. Greg Hollifield, Mary Stafford, Edna Grabowski, Frances Sparks, Betty Carpenter, Judy Greer, Lou Jenkins, Wilma Duncan

BIG CRABTREE: Rev. Dean Honeycutt, Pam Honeycutt, Dora Willis, Claude Willis

BIG ROCK CREEK: Rev. Howard Estep, Mary Estep, Angela Honeycutt, Tony Honeycutt

CALVARY: Rev. Don Stafford, Parnell Buchanan, Emma Lee Buchanan

CENTRAL: Monroe Bridges

CHESTNUT GROVE: Rev. Richard Hollifield

CRABTREE CHAPEL: Ted Sparks, Lillian Sparks, Richard McKinney, Charles Allen, Delphia Renfro

FORK MOUNTAIN: Lorie McKinney, Phil McKinney

FREEDOM: Trent Moody, Nancy Moody, Stacy Thomas, Gladys Burleson, Ola Mae Freeman, Angela Woody, Jeff Edwards, Chris Renfro

FRIENDSHIP: Rev. Bob McKinney, Gail McKinney, Vena Davis

GRASSY CREEK: Rev. B.G. McMahan, Mildred McMahan, Karen McKinney, Ray G. McKinney, Wilma Burleson, Fred E. Burleson

LEDGER: Rev. Russell McKinney

LIBERTY HILL: Rev. David Johnson, Judy Johnson, Roger Miller, Virginia Miller, Martha Huskins, Keith Buckner, Jenny Buckner, Mary Gurley, Marqueriete Burleson, Lloyd L. Burleson, Marie Sparks, Edith Hinkle, Eddie Williams

LILY BRANCH: Rev. Steven Williams, Beverly Williams, Louise Burleson, Carl Murdock, Jackie Thomas, Regina Murdock, Buddy Murdock, Dorothy Grindstaff

LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rev. Dallas Renfro, Beatrice Renfro, Gordon Lovejoy

McKINNEY COVE: Rev. Don Ford, Marlene Ayers, Johnny Ayers

MINE CREEK: Rev. Kenneth Murphy, Janice Hensley, Fleet Hensley, Jean McCourry
MOUNT CARMEL: Carl Lusk, John Shaw
PINE BRANCH: Rev. Earl Henry, Fred O. Burleson, Lucille Burleson, Lee Sparks, Susie Buchanan, Judy Pitman
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Billie R. Bailey, Ronald W. Bailey
SILVER CHAPEL: Rev. Jay Orr, Betty Buchanan, Mozell Howell, Fred Louis Howell, Elberta Buchanan, Sherwin Buchanan
SNOW HILL: Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Rev. Lee Ayers, Bonnie Grindstaff, Milt Grindstaff, Wes Brewer
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Rev. David Vess, David Thayer
TOECANE: Dale Buchanan, Lloyd Laws, Daniel Bailey
WESTERN CAROLINA: Rev. Randy Bonner
WHITE OAK: Marian McNeill, Juanita McMahan

CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, INC.

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "Mitchell Baptist Association, Incorporated."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: First, the officers of the Association; Second, Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; Third, Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one-hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Discipleship Training Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members of the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5B. A Budget and Finance Committee. This committee shall consist of six lay persons and three pastors with no church having more than one

member. Their terms of service shall be for three years with three members rotating off each year.

The Nominating Committee shall include in their report each year the names of three persons for membership on the Budget and Finance Committee. The committee will elect their own chairperson.

The Moderator, Treasurer, and Director of Missions shall serve as ex officio members of this committee.

It shall be the duty of this committee to receive individual budget requests from department directors and committee chairpersons, and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet the needs in light of anticipated contributions from the churches.

This committee shall publish the proposed budget sixty days prior to the annual meeting, and seek opportunities to promote the proposed budget in the churches.

Once the budget has been adopted, the committee will be available to advise the treasurer regarding disbursements, especially when "Cash on Deposit" makes it necessary to give priority to certain line items in the budget.

Article 5C. Associational Council

1. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Discipleship Training, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Historian.

2. The Association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to coordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.

3. The council shall be responsible for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for coordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.

4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.

5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Article 5D. Missions Committee

This committee shall be composed of five (5) members. The duties of this committee are:

1. To work with the Director of Missions and serve as the mediator between him and the Association.

2. To work with local churches or groups contemplating the establishment of new work and/or missions.

3. To promote the missionary and extension work of the Association.

Article 5E. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Monday and Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefore shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the second day's session.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

152nd Annual Session
Mitchell Baptist Association

Freedom Baptist Church, Spruce Pine
Monday, August 28, 2000
3:30 - 9:00 P.M.

Theme: "Preparing For The Harvest"

3:30	Call to Order ..... Rev. Steve Williams, Moderator
	Hymn #71 ..... "His Name Is Wonderful"
	Welcome ..... Chris Renfro
	Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Dean Honeycutt
	Committee Report: Order of Business ..... Rev. John Chick
	Roll Call of Churches ..... Judy Greer
3:45	Director of Missions Report ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
4:00	Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, Welcome of New Pastors, Treasurer's Report, Budget and Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and Miscellaneous Business
4:30	Hymn #459 ..... "The Lily Of The Valley"
4:35	Disaster Recovery Report ..... Eddie Williams
4:50	Special Music ..... Karen Magner
5:00	Challenge Message ..... Rev. Stuart White, Pastor, Carolina Memorial, Thomasville
5:30	Benediction and Blessing on meal
	(Break for the evening meal)
7:00	Call to Order ..... Rev. Steve Williams, Moderator
	Hymn #491 ..... "When We All Get To Heaven"

	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. Greg Hollifield
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Baptist Children's Homes	Reggie Gilmore, Western Area Family Services
7:30	Blue Ridge Prison Ministry	Rev. Russel Hoilman
7:45	Christian Action League	Rev. Mark H. Creech, Executive Director
8:00	Walnut Avenue Ministries	Rev. Randy Bonner
8:15	Hymn #225	"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"
8:20	Special Music	Little Rock Creek Quartet
8:30	Annual Sermon	Rev. John Chick Pastor, Beaver Creek Baptist Church
9:00	Benediction	

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Lily Branch Baptist Church, Bakersville
Tuesday, August 29, 2000
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

7:00	Call to Order	Rev. Steve Williams, Moderator
	Hymn # 483	"Footsteps Of Jesus"
	Welcome	Rev. Steve Williams
	Scripture and Prayer	Shane Buchanan
	Roll Call of Churches	Judy Greer
7:15	Special Music	Pastors' Choir
7:30	Mission Message	Robert & Phyllis Hefner, Career missionaries to Brazil

8:00 Hymn # 571 ..... "Let Others See Jesus In You"

8:05 Recognitions, Announcements, Nominating Committee's Report, Election of Officers, Time-Place-Preacher Committee, and Miscellaneous Business

8:15 Special Music ..... Faithful Hearts

8:25 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
(pastor, Little Rock Creek Baptist Church)

9:00 Benediction

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Freedom Baptist Church
August 28, 2000
3:30 P.M.

1. The 152nd Annual Session of the Mitchell Baptist Association met on Monday afternoon, August 28, 2000, 3:30 P.M., at Freedom Baptist Church in Spruce Pine. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Steve Williams, pastor of Lily Branch Baptist Church. The theme for this year's sessions was "Partners In The Harvest."

2. The congregation sang the hymn, "His Name is Wonderful," led by our Associational Music Director, David Thayer.

3. Our Moderator recognized Chris Renfro, who gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors to Freedom Baptist Church.

4. Rev. Dean Honeycutt, pastor of Big Crabtree Baptist Church, read scripture from John 4:24-26 and led in the opening prayer.

5. The Order of Business Report was given by Rev. John Chick, who made the motion to accept the program for the 2000 Annual Session. The motion was seconded and approved.

6. Judy Greer, Associational Clerk, gave the roll call of churches. Twenty-five churches were represented. (See Messengers to Association for names of churches and messengers, pages 5-6.) Registration cards were handed out at this time.

7. Our Director of Missions, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, gave his report. He read scripture from Romans 13:11-12. He recommended his report for approval and the recommendation was seconded and approved. (See his report on page 44)

8. The Moderator gave a time for recognitions and announcements.

- Coy Jeans from Baptist Foundation was recognized.
- Was announced that Judgement House would not be possible this year because we didn't get enough volunteers and churches to help with it.
- The Avery Evangelistic Crusade was announced for October 2-4, at First Baptist Church in Crossnore.
- Rev. Steve Williams called attention to the Committees appointed by the Moderator for the coming year. (See pages 4-5)
- Our new pastors were recognized: Rev. Greg Hollifield - Berry Chapel; Rev. Mike Rathbone - Cane Creek; Rev. Clifford Early - Chestnut Grove; Rev. B.G. McMahan - Grassy Creek; Rev. Randy Bonner - Western Carolina and Rev. Daniel Honeycutt - Fork Mountain.

9. Our Moderator called attention to our Treasurer's Report. The balance at the end of the year is $8,807.10. A motion was made to accept this report and it was seconded and approved. The Moderator then called attention to the Proposed Budget for the coming associational year. The total budget for the coming year is $58,503.00. With no questions, the Budget for 2000-2001 was seconded and approved.

10. The Executive Committee Report was presented as information by the associational clerk, Judy Greer. Our Moderator made a plea for more participation in our Executive Committee Meetings.

11. An announcement was made concerning the upcoming Fellowship Meeting at the Tabernacle on October 22 at 3:00 p.m.

12. Miscellaneous business included recognizing the associational secretary, Judy Greer, for 20 years of service. She was presented with a plaque and with a love offering which came from several of our churches.

13. The congregation was led in the hymn, "The Lily of the Valley."

14. Eddie Williams our associational Baptist Men's Director, reported on our Disaster Recovery in the past year. (See his report on pages 38-40)

15. The congregation was led in the hymn, "Victory In Jesus."

16. Special music was provided by Karen Magner, associational music director in Avery Association.

17. Our Challenge Message was brought by Rev. Stuart White, pastor of

Carolina Memorial Baptist Church in Thomasville. (Former pastor of Berry Chapel.) His scripture was John 4:31-42. He shared with us that we needed to "seize the moment," and "share God's message."

18. Our benediction and blessing on the evening meal was given by Rev. David Troutman.

Break for evening meal.

19. The evening session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Steve Williams.

20. The congregation was led by David Thayer, in singing the hymn "When We All Get to Heaven."

21. Rev. Greg Hollifield, pastor of Berry Chapel Baptist Church, read scripture (Acts 1:1-11) and led in prayer.

22. A second roll call of the churches was given with four more church represented. This makes twenty-nine churches represented.

23. A report was given on the Baptist Children's Homes. Reggie Gilmore, Western Area Family Services representative, spoke to us about the work of the Children's Homes.

24. Rev. Russel Hoilman, chaplain for the Blue Ridge Youth Center gave a report on his work for the past year. He stated that 104 men have been saved this year. He had brought two young men from the Youth Center, who gave their testimony. Russel asked for our continued support and our prayers.

25. Rev. Dallas Renfro brought to the attention of the messengers that the van for the Youth Center needed a new motor. An offering was taken for this need and a little over $1,100 was collected. It was stated that we should take enough out of our treasury to make the amount an even $1,500. This was seconded and approved.

26. Rev. Mark H. Creech, Executive Director of the Christian Action League was our next guest. He gave a powerful report on the events going on in the world.

27. Rev. Randy Bonner, gave a report on his ministry to the Walnut Avenue Apartments and his new church Western Carolina Baptist Church. He has baptized 27 people and had 3 men announce their call into the ministry since he began his ministry here.

28. The congregation sang the hymn, "Sweet, Sweet Spirit."

29. Special music was provided by the Little Rock Creek Quartet.

30. Rev. John Chick, pastor of Beaver Creek Baptist Church, preached the evening message. His scripture was taken from John 4:27-38, and he spoke on "I Sent You to Reap."

31. The benediction was given by Rev. Steve Sisk, pastor of Altapass Baptist Church.

Lily Branch Baptist Church
Tuesday, August 29, 2000
7:00 P.M.

32. Rev. Steve Williams, Moderator, called the second night's session to order.

33. The congregation sang the hymn, "Footprints of Jesus."

34. Rev. Steve Williams gave a warm welcome to messengers and visitors to Lily Branch Baptist Church. This is where Steve is pastor.

35. Shane Buchanan, youth minister at Pine Branch Baptist Church, read Ephesians 2:107 and led in the opening prayer.

36. A roll call of churches was given by the clerk. Twenty-seven churches were represented at this time, with a total of 29 churches being represented.

37. Special music was provided by the Pastors' Choir.

38. A Mission Message was given by Robert and Phyllis Hefner, career missionaries to Brazil. They are on furlough at home in Forest City. Mrs. Hefner spoke first about her work and then Rev. Hefner gave a message from II Timothy 1:1-7, "Fan the Flame."

39. The congregation sang, "Let Others See Jesus In You."

40. A time was given for recognitions and announcements. An announcement was made that the election of officers for the Tabernacle was coming up.

41. The Nominating Committee's Report was presented by Rev. Howard Buchanan. This is a list of the officers and directors for the coming associational year. A motion was made for the adoption of this report and the motion was seconded and approved. (See pages 1-3)

42. The election of officers began with the nomination of Steve Williams to serve another year as Moderator. This motion was seconded and approved. Rev. Martin Fisher was nominated to serve as our Vice-Moderator for another year. The motion was seconded and approved. Our Director of Missions stated that we needed to fill a vacancy on the Budget and Finance Committee. Rev. Dallas Renfro nominated James Miller from Bear Creek Baptist Church. This nomination was seconded and approved.

43. The Time, Place and Preacher Committee announced that for the 2001 Annual Session, the first day's meeting will be at Calvary Baptist Church in Bakersville, and the second night at Snow Hill Baptist Church in Bakersville. The Annual Sermons will be brought by Rev. Greg Hollifield, and Rev. B.G. McMahan.

44. Miscellaneous business included:

- Rev. Greg Hollifield, Chairman of the Missions Committee, read a request from Western Carolina Baptist Church for admission into our association. They had been under the watchcare of the association for several months after being presented to the Executive Committee. Rev. Hollifield made a recommendation that we accept them and it was seconded and approved with no opposition.
- The Resolutions Committee thanked the two host churches, Freedom Baptist Church and Lily Branch Baptist Church, for their hospitality, and offered a special "thank you" to Freedom for the delicious meal on Monday afternoon. A motion was made for the adoption of this resolution and it was seconded and approved.
- The Singing Convention on September 23 and 24 was announced.
- Rev. David Troutman requested prayer for his transition from being a pastor into full-time evangelism.

45. Special music was provided by the Faithful Hearts quartet.

46. The Annual Sermon was given by Rev. Dallas Renfro, pastor of Little Rock Creek Baptist Church. His scripture was Psalm 126:6 and Hosea 10:12. He preached on an acronym for HARVEST.

47. The quartet Faithful Hearts sang a closing song.

48. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

PROPOSED BUDGET – 2000-2001

	1990-2000	2000-2001
I. PERSONNEL MINISTRIES		
Director of Missions:		
Salary	$ 8,100.00	8,100.00
Housing Allowance	3,405.00	3,957.00
Travel Reimbursement	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Secretary	16,207.00	16,856.00
II. MISSION SUPPORT MINISTRIES WITH THE LOCAL CHURCH		
Sunday School/VBS	150.00	150.00
Memory Work	350.00	350.00
WMU	400.00	400.00
Evangelism	0	500.00
Youth	250.00	400.00
Blue Ridge Youth Cntr. Ministry	2,100.00	2,100.00
Hispanic Ministry	500.00	500.00
III. OUR ADMINISTRATIVE - SUPPORT MINISTRIES		
Missionary's Retirement	4,000.00	4,000.00
Conventions, Conferences, Workshops, etc.	700.00	700.00
Social Security Allowance:		
Director of Missions	800.00	800.00
Secretary	1,252.00	1,290.00
Hospital Insurance/Secretary	4,800.00	2,487.00
Secretary's Retirement		2,313.00
Christmas Bonuses:		
Director of Missions	500.00	500.00
Secretary	400.00	400.00
Telephone	1,000.00	1,400.00
Office Supplies & Repairs	3,000.00	3,000.00
Postage	1,500.00	1,800.00
Utilities	1,200.00	1,400.00
Fire Insurance	700.00	1,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	500.00	..500.00
Flowers/Memorials	100.00	100.00
Supplies for Risograph	1,500.00	1,500.00
Building & Grounds Maintenance	500.00	500.00
TOTAL	$ 55,414.00	$ 58,503.00

CHURCHES GIVING TO ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Year ending, July 31, 2000

CHURCH	MAY--JULY	AUG.--APR.	TOTALS
Altapass	$ 978.00	2,590.00	$ 3,568.00
Bakersville	198.00	396.00	594.00
Bear Creek	999.94	3,000.06	4,000.00
Beaver Creek	527.20	1,407.42	1,934.62
Berry Chapel	1,051.00	3,183.00	4,234.00
Big Crabtree	343.00	1,033.00	1,376.00
Big Rock Creek	50.00	135.00	185.00
Black Mountain	124.00	649.85	773.85
Calvary	95.60	606.51	702.11
Cane Creek	225.00	675.00	900.00
Central	360.60	1,085.75	1,446.35
Chestnut Grove	0	0	0
Crabtree Chapel	364.42	1,129.68	1,494.10
Fork Mountain	265.10	0	265.10
Freedom	606.83	1,929.07	2,535.90
Friendship	150.00	300.00	450.00
Grassy Creek	800.01	2,400.03	3,200.04
Ledger	994.37	493.87	1,488.24
Liberty Hill	700.00	1,575.00	2,275.00
Lily Branch	1,033.08	2,499.89	3,532.97
Little Rock Creek	646.80	1,560.24	2,207.04
McKinney Cove	450.00	1,050.00	1,500.00
Mine Creek	511.99	531.61	1,043.60
Mount Carmel	713.26	2,006.87	2,720.13
Mountain View	0	0	0
Pine Branch	1,409.62	1,564.12	2,973.74
Roan Mountain	1,342.80	2,229.05	3,571.85
Silver Chapel	673.51	2,261.44	2,934.95
Snow Hill	361.07	1,044.14	1,405.21
Spring Creek	150.00	390.00	540.00
Spruce Pine, First	200.00	350.00	550.00
Toecane	200.00	100.00	300.00
White Oak	0	400.00	400.00
Vision Missionary	216.56	673.24	889.80
Hispanic Mission	0	25.00	25.00
TOTALS	$ 16,741.76	$ 39,274.84	$ 56,016.60

TREASURER'S REPORT
Twelve Months Ending July 31, 2000

RECEIPTS		
Avery Association Reimbursement (Health Ins.)		7,701.50
Baptist State Convention Supplement		12,685.03
Church Contributions		58,264.11
Miscellaneous		4,430.21
Hispanic Ministry		4,874.71
Minute Fund		819.00
NC Sales Tax Refund		144.41
Prison Ministry		2,139.08
Youth Crusade		775.00
Total Receipts		$ 91,833.05
DISBURSEMENTS		
Conferences		170.00
Crusades: Youth		1,258.84
Insurance on Building		57.98
Lawn Care		80.00
Literature		626.23
Ministries:		
Hispanic		5,966.23
Prison		4,391.66
Office Expense		4,997.20
Miscellaneous, total		13,991.12
Payroll:		
DOM	Salary	6,220.04
	Housing	3,405.00
	Travel - Auto	1,500.00
Secretary	Salary	14,882.32
Annuity Board		
	DOM Retirement	3,996.00
	Secretary's Retirement	3,120.00
Payroll Taxes		
State		1,024.80
Federal and Social Security		5,119.68
Personal Security (Health, Life, Disability Ins.)		10,397.26
Postage		1,431.49
Repairs to Building		790.00
Supplies		288.75
Telephone		1,326.62
Utilities		
Cable		148.32
Electric		1,031.37
WMU		240.00
Youth		272.78
Bank Service Charge & Check Fees		231.88
Sales Tax		0
Total Disbursements		$ 86,965.57
Cash on Deposit, August 1, 1999		3,939.62
Add: Receipts for August 1, 1999 - July 31, 2000		91,833.05
Total		95,772.67
Less: Disbursements for August 1, 1999 - July 31, 2000		86,965.57
Available Balance, July 31, 2000		$ 8,807.10

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

February 17, 2000

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, February 17, 2000, for their regularly scheduled quarterly session. Rev. Steve Williams, Moderator, called the meeting to order. He read from Psalm 40 and Rev. Russell McKinney, pastor of Ledger Baptist Church led in the opening prayer.

The following churches were represented: Altapass, Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Chestnut Grove, Crabtree Chapel, *Freedom, *Friendship, *Ledger, *Liberty Hill, *Lily Branch, McKinney Cove, Spruce Pine, First, and Vision Missionary. Seventeen people were present.

The clerk gave information on the November meeting, which stated that the attendance was so low it was not considered a meeting. With the absence of the treasurer, there was no financial report. The secretary reported that the church contributions were up for the past quarter.

A WMU Report was given by our Associational WMU Director, Marlene Ayers. She gave information on the upcoming Associational WMU Annual Meeting, which will be held on Saturday, April 1, 11:00 A.M., at Pine Branch Baptist Church. Carolyn Diemer will be guest speaker, and a luncheon will follow.

Eddie Williams gave a report on our Disaster Relief efforts. He stated that six trips had been made to rebuild the home of Mable Baker in Grifton, NC. A total of $15,258.90 was spent. Sixty-eight people volunteered time and labor, 16 churches were represented, and 8 pastors participated. The next project is rebuilding the home of Ella Willis.

A Bible Drill Report was given by Judy Greer. She gave the dates for the upcoming Bible Drill events. A "fun day" at Pinebridge will be held on March 11 and our associational Bible Drills will be held on Saturday, April 8.

Old business included the fact that Friendship Baptist Church has now been under the watchcare of the association for one year. A recommendation was made that we accept them as a full member of our association. Rev. David Troutman made a motion that we accept this recommendation and it was seconded and approved. Rev. Bob McKinney, pastor, requested prayer for God's blessings on this church.

New business included (1) a recommendation that Eddie Williams serve as our Baptist Men's Director. He has been serving as our Disaster Relief Coordinator. Rev. David Johnson made a motion that we accept this recommendation and it was seconded and approved.

(2) Our Director of Missions gave information from the Evangelism Committee. They wanted the Executive Committee to decide if we should cancel our July Evangelism Conference in order to fully participate in the Pinebridge Crusade in May, with Clayton King. After some discussion Rev. Martin Fisher made the motion that we join forces with the Pinebridge Crusade and forego our summer crusade for this year. The motion was seconded and approved.

For information purposes, Rev. David Troutman, spoke to the members about

the upcoming crusade. He stated that Clayton King would be the guest evangelist. He has agreed to come for a love offering. This crusade is for all ages and will reach several counties. A Crusade Rally will be held on March 25 at Freedom Baptist Church, 7:00 P.M. The youth are invited to come at 3:00 P.M. On May 13, 10:00 A.M., at Pinebridge, a training session for counselors will be held. There is also a need for prayer partners and volunteers. Ken Sausedo will be the music leader. He will have a Crusade Choir which will meet 5:30-6:00 P.M. prior each night's meeting.

(3) The Moderator read a request from Western Carolina Baptist Church, to join Mitchell Association. Rev. Randy Bonner is pastor. The statement read, "As you know, I along with my church, have a strong desire to evangelize the thousands in our area with the Good News of Jesus Christ. I and my church cannot do it alone and that is why with a joyful heart, we wish to be a partner with our sister churches." Our Director of Missions made a recommendation that we accept this church under watchcare until the Annual Associational Meeting in August. Rev. Martin Fisher made a motion that we accept this recommendation and it was seconded and approved.

(4) The Director of Missions gave information that the secretary's medical insurance cost will be reduced when her daughter graduates from college in May and would no longer be on her policy. A recommendation was made that the difference in cost be transferred over to her retirement. The recommendation was seconded and approved.

(5) Richard Hollifield introduced Rev. Clifford Early, the new pastor at Chestnut Grove Baptist Church. Our moderator welcomed him to our association.

(6) The Director of Missions gave information on "Judgement House" which will be held on Halloween in October. A training session will be held in March and our Director of Missions and Moderator will be attending this session. Churches will be called on for help with this project.

(6) A request for prayer was made by Donnie Vickers for the victims of the tornado in southern Georgia. He has family members who lost friends and neighbors to this storm.

(7) Daniel Whetstine gave information on an upcoming project in Phelps, Kentucky., Repairs to a church will be made by volunteers from our association. This will be done on March 9, 10 and 11.

Our next Executive Committee will be held on May 11, 2000. Rev. David Johnson, pastor of Liberty Hill Baptist Church dismissed the meeting with prayer.

May 11, 2000

Members of the Executive Committee met at the associational office on Thursday, May 11, 2000, for their regularly scheduled session. Rev. Steve Williams, moderator, presided and called the meeting to order. He read Isaiah 4:10 and Rev. Daniel Whetstine led the opening prayer. The following churches were represented - an asterisk indicates the presence of the pastor: Altapass, Berry Chapel, Big Crabtree, *Chestnut Grove, *Lily Branch, and *Little Rock Creek. A total of seven people were present. Minutes of the February meeting

were read by the clerk. The bank balance for that day was $4,519.37.

A brief report was given on the Associational Bible Drills, and on the Annual WMU Meeting. Our Director of Missions reported on the mission trips to Phelps, Kentucky. The church there is growing and they hope to have Backyard Bible Clubs later in the summer.

An update was given on the Crusade which was to begin on May 17. Information was given on the Judgement House that will be held in October. Many volunteers will be needed to help with this event. It was stated that churches are needed to help provide one meal a month to the Blue Ridge Youth Center (any Saturday). Contact Julia Carpenter at 765-4237. The meeting was dismissed with prayer. Our next meeting will be the Annual Meeting in August.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Greer, Clerk

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES

In March 2001, the Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina will celebrate 50 years of service to Older Adults. It has been a wonderful half-century, and the "Homes" is thankful for the privilege of sharing in the life journeys of thousands of "Aging Saints."

The quality of life the "Homes" has brought to these Older Adults has been its best measure of success as it has helped ensure that residents live out their lives with autonomy, dignity, and comfort. The "Homes" dream is to make life for North Carolina Older Adults what God intended it to be..."The Best of Times."

The "Homes" corporation now owns and operates four retirement communities across the state: the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem, a continuing care community offering independent living, assisted living and nursing care; the Western North Carolina Home in Asheville, a community that offers assisted living and nursing care; and the Hamilton Home in Hamilton and The Taylor House in Albemarle, communities that offer assisted living services. Later this year, the "Homes" will begin construction on a new community – The Gardens of Taylor Glen, a continuing care community near Concord.

The generous support the "Homes" has received from North Carolina Baptists has enabled it to make a unique promise to its residents: whatever the future may hold, Baptist Retirement Homes will care for them for the rest of their lives. Keeping this promise means overcoming many challenges. By 2020 North Carolinians past retirement age will make up 20 percent of the population. While medical science has prolonged life, the effects of aging are often intensified and extended over many years. Many older adults exhaust their personal resources and look to the "Homes" for significant assistance.

Still Baptist Homes stands ready to make good its promise of ongoing compassionate and quality care.

Whatever the future may hold, Baptist Retirement Homes will care for its residents for the rest of their lives.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION

Christian higher education represents one of our enduring values as North Carolina Baptists. From the founding of our Convention in 1830, we have supported Christian higher education. Our churches, associations, and state have benefitted as a result.

Last year North Carolina Baptists provided special scholarship assistance to members from our churches who chose to attend one of our affiliated colleges or universities. Sixty-eight out of eighty associations were represented among the hundreds of students who received this special Convention sponsored scholarship assistance.

The institutions matched the Convention's support of these Baptists students through institutional support. For every dollar provided to students through the Cooperative Program, the institutions matched it with $2.50 of additional financial assistance. Forty-five percent of the on-campus student populations are Baptists.

In addition to support of undergraduates, North Carolina Baptists assisted 297 divinity school students last year. This financial assistance was made possible through churches giving through optional giving Plans B and C. Members from our churches who have sensed God's call upon their lives to serve as ministers or missionaries are eligible to receive a theological educational grant from the Convention. If a student pursues their degree from the divinity schools at Gardner-Webb or Campbell, the student is eligible to receive a grant of $8,100. If a student pursues his or her theological education from other institutions, the student is eligible to receive a grant of $3,000 for their studies.

Rev. Shane Kirby recently graduated from the M. Christopher White School of Divinity at Gardner-Webb University. Upon graduation, Mr. Kirby said, "I couldn't be more happy that I was able to obtain my Master's at a North Carolina Baptist institution. I look at it like the Baptists of this state invested in me. Now, I feel a sense of responsibility to the good people of my denomination to serve them."

North Carolina Baptists can take pride in graduates, like Mr Kirby, who want to serve our Lord and His churches in North Carolina.

Without the faithful support of the Cooperative Mission Budget of the Baptist State Convention, opportunities for our members to attend Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill or Wingate would not be possible.

Thank you North Carolina Baptists for your continued support of Christian higher education in our state.

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

It is with humble gratitude that the Christian Action League of North Carolina serves the Lord Jesus Christ and the churches of this great state as a Beacon of light, guiding referendums and legislation through the murky waters

of special-interest groups and educating God's people about the moral problems in our state and nation. Our goal is to encourage and organize the people of God so that our light will be seen brightly throughout our state; and when we speak, it will be in one accord and will resound loudly.

A. Christian Values

- The Christian Action League again co-sponsored the Fifth Annual Christian Heritage Week of North Carolina held in March. It was our pleasure to provide awards for excellence to those high school students who won the essay contest on America's Christian background.
- CAL has continued to promote and distribute copies of the Ten Commandments in North Carolina. To date, over 15,000 copies have been mailed.
- Promoted awareness of worldwide persecution of Christians (particularly in Sudan) through e-mail alerts and radio.
- Participated with the American Family Association in distributing copies of our national motto posters "In God We Trust."
- Joined with Family Life Ministries in promoting and distributing copies of the Marriage Covenant Certificates.
- Participated in the National Day of Prayer.
- Set up CAL exhibit at Baptist State Convention and the East and West Districts of the Wesleyan Church conferences.
- Worked in the General Assembly to stop a bill that would allow physicians to take immediate custody of a child that they felt had been abused. The bill died in committee.

B. Radio

"Christians in Action," Station WAGO (88.7 FM) Snow Hill, started Monday, January 3, 2000. This broadcast consists of a five-minute commentary on issues that affect our lives today. We will begin airing this program on August 7 on New Bern (WAAE, 91.9 FM). Our projection is to ultimately reach the whole state.

C. Gambling

- Video poker machines – The Christian Action League worked around the clock to get video poker banned in this state. We failed getting the ban but were successful in getting SB 1542 to strengthen the law and restrict the operation and expansion of video gambling in the state. We will work vehemently next session in pushing for a ban.
- Joined Christian Coalition in survey on how Gubernatorial candidates stood on lottery – released results in newsletter.
- Next session the Christian Action League will be on the front line in the Legislature fighting a state-sponsored lottery.

D. Abortion

- CAL has purchased the rights through donations of a surgical procedure on a 21-week old fetus that proves that partial-birth abortion is murder. We want

to see this picture used extensively in making our case for the pro-life agenda.

- CAL participated in the Right to Life Rally held in Raleigh.

E. Alcohol

- Participated in four LBD campaigns since January 11, 2000, and there are three scheduled for a September referendum. We help with their organizational meetings, rallies and providing educational materials.
- Worked in the General Assembly for passage of HB 1499-Interlock/Open Container law. This bill bans open alcohol containers in the passenger area of a motor vehicle on the highway or highway right-of-way. The bill was ratified on July 1.

F. Pornography

Have produced and aired several radio programs to inform the public of the internet pornography crisis. Educate communities on how they can rid their neighborhoods of adult establishments.

G. Homosexuality

CAL monitors and informs the Christian community of the current homosexual agenda through our e-mail alert.

The Christian Action League of North Carolina produces a quarterly newsletter "The Beacon" that has a distribution of over 21,000. We also send out an e-mail alert every Friday to over 150 members to keep them abreast of current moral, ethical and political issues that affect our state and nation. All services of the Christian Action League are provided at no charge. We depend on God's people to provide for His work.

"Working for a better North Carolina"

Respectfully submitted,
Joe S. Lennon, President
Rev. Mark H. Creech, Executive Director

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

"Quality Service Through Quality Relationships" is not just a slogan. It is a foundational statement of philosophy. In our ministry, relationships are everything – relationships with children, with families, with placement agencies, with our own families and churches, and with each other. We are blessed by God in this work because we honor God in relationships.

During the QSTQR emphasis, all BCH staff at every ministry point have made extra efforts to strengthen relationships with the people we encounter. We have incorporated the terms quality, service and relationships into a plan of action. We have reflected our desire for quality relationships in everything we do in

order to deliver quality services that change lives. QSTQR, celebrating the mission...the millennium...the ministry, was BCH's theme from Easter, 1999 through Thanksgiving, 2000.

Through Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, hundreds of children and families are given new hope for their futures...

Children like Linda and her two younger sisters. Linda feared for their well being. It was her responsibility to care for her sisters. Linda remembers moving to a shelter where she finally felt they were safe; there was enough food for the sisters and warm beds. The three children were later placed at BCH. Now, Linda is in a place where others care for her. Linda has discovered God cares for her, too.

The McDonalds found the challenge of being a blended family difficult at times. Their son began to exhibit anger toward his parents. He would challenge their authority and began getting in trouble with some neighborhood kids. The situation was getting out of control. Corey's parents called BCH, where they found a staff willing to embrace their family with hope. Today, Corey has begun to deal with his anger, mistrust and behavior issues. His parents are learning how to better communicate with each other and with Corey.

During the past year, BCH served over 1800 children and families through 13 facilities statewide. BCH operates residential campuses in Thomasville, Pembroke, Kinston and Clyde; a maternity home in Asheville; a teen mother/baby home in Lenoir; values change homes for girls in Franklin and Lenoir; therapeutic camping for boys in Cameron; emergency care cottages at the residential campuses and in Waynesville and Asheville; and a model day care center in Thomasville.

In 2000, BCH began a new, innovative ministry caring for developmentally disabled adults and their families. Our Trustees unanimously approved a major undertaking this year by committing more than $3.5 million to replace, repair, construct and make much needed improvements at every BCH location. Most of the work is complete. You are invited to visit our campuses and other facilities to see first hand the difference you are helping us to make.

The commitment to quality has been a cornerstone of this institution since its beginning. "Quality Service Through Quality Relationships" was a 20-month public demonstration of this cornerstone. The emphasis places top priority on relationships to achieve the highest quality of service possible. Significant growth has been realized during this period. BCH has dedicated new structures at Odom Home, Cameron Boys Camp, Kennedy Home, Broyhill and Mills Home campuses and added new work in Waynesville and Asheville as well as Moody Home, Care House, Noel Group Home. Several significant anniversaries have been observed: the 85th of Kennedy Home in Kinston, the 30th of Baptist Maternity Home in Asheville, the 20th of Cameron Boys Camp, the 40th annual Western Area Conference and the 115th anniversary of Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

To help commemorate BCH's 115th anniversary and to celebrate the impact QSTQR has had on staff and children, approximately 600 children, administrators, childcare workers, social workers and staff were brought together

June 28, 2000 from around the state for a day of inspiration, fellowship, food and fun. "The Family Gathering" was held at Mills Home where BCH began in 1885. This is the first time all the Baptist Children's Homes' "family" have been together at the same place and at the same time.

Baptist Children's Homes QSTQR emphasis will culminate at Thanksgiving. We invite you to attend BCH's 30 minute presentation at the 2000 annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention in Winston-Salem on Tuesday, November 14, 2000 at 2:10 p.m. We encourage you to be part of our ambitious $1 million Thanksgiving Offering goal. That number may seem enormous, but there is also enormous need. For all the good North Carolina Baptists are doing to help children and families, there is still so much that needs to be done. We are confident our churches will help us meet this important goal!

The support of North Carolina Baptists through the Thanksgiving Offering, Cooperative Program, and individual gifts, memorials, honors, bequests and estate gifts help enable us to fulfill our mission statement: "helping hurting children...healing broken families."

North Carolina's "largest family" is grateful to North Carolina Baptists for prayers and support. To secure a video or a speaker for your church, or for information about our services, please call (336)474-1209.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael C. Blackwell, President

BIBLICAL RECORDER

Since 1833, the Biblical Recorder has served North Carolina Baptists as the official news journal of the Baptist State Convention. Founded by Thomas Meredith, the Biblical Recorder was owned and operated as a private enterprise until 1938, when it was purchased by and incorporated as an agency of the State Convention.

The Biblical Recorder promotes God's kingdom work in accordance with its mission statement: "Our Mission is to further Christ's kingdom among North Carolina Baptists by providing relevant news, insightful opinions and supportive resources in a timely and accessible fashion."

As an agency belonging to all North Carolina Baptists, the Biblical Recorder provides balanced news coverage of Baptist news from throughout the state and reflects opinions representative of the diversity that is typical of our churches. The Recorder also includes periodic features designed to offer ideas, encouragement, and inspiration to readers.

In keeping with current needs, the Biblical Recorder maintains a frequently used site on the World Wide Web. This site (www.biblicalrecorder.org) offers Internet users an opportunity to read much of each paper's content several days before printed versions arrive. This is particularly helpful during convention meetings and at other times when frequent updates are desirable. As time and resources allow, additional features are being added to make the site an even

more valuable source of information for North Carolina Baptists.

The Biblical Recorder works in partnership with the Baptist State Convention and receives annual support from Cooperative Program gifts as an agency of the Convention. This support makes it possible to offer the Recorder for just pennies per issue. The Biblical Recorder has not raised subscription rates in five years, but a string of steep postage hikes will almost certainly necessitate modest increases in subscription prices beginning in 2001. Currently, the annual rates are:

- Every Home Plan (20%+ of church families, paid through church budget) - $7.42
- Club Plan (4 or more persons in a church subscribe together) - $8.48
- Individual Subscription - $10.60

Subscription packets and free sample issues are available. For more information, please contact: Biblical Recorder, Inc., P.O. Box 18808, Raleigh, NC 27609

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Respectfully submitted,
Ray Howell III, Chair, Board of Directors
Tony W. Cartledge, Editor/President

ANNUITY BOARD

The Annuity Office of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in partnership with the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention provides services related to retirement planning, financial support of ministers and other church employees, life and health insurance programs, and church/clergy tax issues. During this past year numerous conferences, consultations, etc. were conducted to service our churches and church employees related to these issues. Education continues to be a number one priority since so many people do not participate in the plans simply because they are not aware of the great benefits.

On January 1, 2000, the Annuity Board began offering the Ministers' Annuity Plan. This new product is particularly designed for the minister who has self-employment income from performing services (i.e. weddings, funerals, revivals, writing) as a Southern Baptist minister, and others who may not qualify for one of the other Annuity Board retirement plans. Eligibility can be determined by contacting the Annuity Board's customer service area.

The Southern Baptist Convention in annual session in June, 2000, approved changes to the Annuity Board's Mission Statement and two new ministry Assignments. The changes will now allow the Annuity Board to offer personal investing for Southern Baptist ministers and denominational employees and their spouses, and to assist churches and denominational entities by making available institutional investment services through cooperative agreements with state Baptist foundations.

As of May 31, 2000, there were 4,561 active participants in the annuity

retirement plan from 61% of our North Carolina churches. The money contributed by individuals, churches, and the matching contributions from the state convention is invested according to the individual participant's financial goals and risk tolerance with the overall aim to help participants ensure their security in old age. The number of persons in North Carolina receiving retirement benefits totals 2,807 with another 368 assisted through the Adopt An Annuitant and Relief ministries. Funds for supplemental assistance are provided from the Cooperative Program, the Retirement Ministers' Support Fund, and the Adopt An Annuitant plan.

For more information related to Annuity Board products and services, call the Baptist State Convention at 1-800-395-5102 extension 174 or call the Annuity Board at 1-800-262-0511 or visit the Annuity Board Web site at www.absbc.org.

Respectfully submitted,
Johnny Ross, Baptist State Convention

Other Annuity Board News:

It its regular summer meeting, Annuity Board trustees heard reports concerning new products and services made possible by the enhancements approved by the Southern Baptist Convention to the Board's mission statement and ministry assignment, and also received information related to insurance rate increases.

O.S. Hawkins, president and chief executive officer, expressed praise to God and thanks to the Southern Baptist Convention for expanding the Annuity Board's mission statement and ministry assignments. "This action will make it possible for us to more fully achieve our vision to become a Life-Partner with our participants. Through personal investing and institutional investment management services, we will have new avenues of service opened to us," Hawkins said.

Until the recent ministry assignment enhancements approved by the 2000 Southern Baptist Convention in Orlando, the Annuity Board primarily offered retirement and insurance plans to its participants. Now, with the addition of personal investing, other-than-retirement investment options will be available to Annuity Board participants and their spouses.

"Our staff is diligently working to recommend the selection of strategic vendors that will help us to make the new products and services a success," said John Jones, executive vice president and chief operating officer. "We anticipate rolling out these new offerings sometime in 2001."

Also scheduled for 2001 will be Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) for Annuity Board participants and their spouses. Jim Morrison, managing director for Retirement Services reported on the progress of this initiative.

"We plan to offer Traditional, Roth and Educational IRAs sometime in 2001. In a recent survey, 25% of Annuity Board respondents indicated they would be

very likely to invest in an IRA offered by the Board. These products will be another way our participants can plan to put money aside for the future." Morrison said.

New participants and churches participating in the retirement plans continued its record setting pace for the first six months of 2000. Through the month of June, more than 3,969 new participants and 619 new churches have been added to the Church Annuity Plan. Contributions to retirement plans are up 7.9% for the first six months of the year.

Trustees approved a January 1, 2001 rate increase for participants in the Board's Personal Security Program and Employer Security Program medical plans including Medicare primary plans. The Personal Security Program and smaller groups in the Employer Security Program will receive a 12-month rate increase of 22%. Larger groups in the Employer Security Program will also receive increases for 2001. Notification of the specific increases will be sent to employers before the middle of September.

"A double-digit rate increase is significant for our participants, but it is needed to maintain the integrity of our medical products," said Doug Day, managing director for Insurance Services. "This increase was necessary because of the rising costs of health care and prescription drugs, the high utilization of medical services by our participants and our claim expenses continuing to out-pace our annual premiums."

"We hope the recent changes in the prescription drug program and the introduction of two Medicare supplement plans in 2001 will help stabilize our medical plans and reduce future rate increases," Day added.

This fall the Annuity Board is making available a long-term care product to its participants. The coverage will be provided through the General Electric Capital Assurance Company, the Long-Term Care Division of GE Financial Assurance.

And effective January 1, 2001, the Annuity Board will begin offering several dental plan choices to participants in the Personal Security Program.

As of June 30, a total of $2,657,480 was distributed through the Board's Relief programs to needy retired ministers and their widowed spouses. This is an increase of 9% over the first six months of 1999. Money distributed through the Board's Relief program comes from gifts by individuals, churches and the Cooperative Program. Every cent of Cooperative Program money is used to assist relief recipients. At the end of the first six months of 2000, there were 855 individuals or couples receiving supplemental assistance grants and 2,508 received the $75 Adopt An Annuitant benefit.

The next scheduled meeting of the Annuity Board trustees is November 6-7, 2000 in Dallas.

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD

The breadth and depth of the North American mission field is unprecedented. Its vastness is illustrated by the more than 200 million people in the United States and Canada who claim not to have a personal relationship with Jesus

Christ. Yet, the depth of North America's lostness is evident when 91% of respondents in a recent survey considered themselves Christian, even though less than one-third said they had been born-again.

Our culture is hungry for truth but is developing its own understanding of a relationship with God. These unprecedented days of opportunity demand the church deliver the gospel truth in every conceivable way.

In coordination with state Baptist conventions, associations, and other Great Commission partners, NAMB has developed strategies and resources to help Christians and their churches share the gospel as never before. Some of NAMB's breakthroughs this past year include:

– Establishment of more than 900 Bible study clubs on high school campuses, each averaging more than three students per month making a profession of faith in Jesus Christ.

– More than 40,000 people per month are spending an average of eight minutes each with a gospel presentation on one of NAMB's Internet Web sites. This past year thousands made professions of faith through NAMB's Web sites and were referred to local Southern Baptist churches for follow-up.

– Almost 3,0000 SBC-endorsed chaplains led 24,000 people to faith in Christ.

– Establishment of the Evangelism Response Center made it possible for specially trained Southern Baptist volunteers to accept calls in their homes from people responding to evangelistic advertising about a personal relationship with Jesus. Information is forwarded to local SBC churches.

– Special NAMB partnerships enabled us to present the gospel at major sporting and entertainment venues. More than 1,000 professions of faith resulted from our witness at the 1999 NFL Super Bowl in Miami.

– Pregnancy care centers ministered to 25,600 clients, resulting in 2,050 babies born and 53 adoptions, and 1,260 professions of faith. There are 2,188 Southern Baptist churches involved in the Alternatives for Life ministry.

– More than 300 church and community missionaries reported 26,000 professions of faith, and church-based ministry programs increased 20%.

– Development of cutting-edge evangelism resources for families, women, children, and church leaders.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Hospital Continues the Mission

In May of 2000 the North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. celebrated 77 years of regional, national, and international service. During these years the hospital has been faithful to the initial vision of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. When the hospital opened the convention stated the reason for doing so was: to extend the healing ministry which was demonstrated by Jesus Christ. Many challenges have been faced through these years, but the commitment to compassionately strive for innovative excellence has remained the same.

Baptist Benevolent Care Fund

Baptist churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual ingathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1999 the MDO amounted to $531,452. These funds were used exclusively to help patients who had minimal or no health care insurance and had no other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From the offering this past year, well over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Baptist churches in North Carolina.

School of Pastoral Care

During the year the Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education provided worship services in Davis Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday as well as services in the J. Paul Sticht Center. Chaplain supervisors, residents and interns made more than 50,000 ministry contacts last year. The Department's fully accredited Clinical Pastoral Education program graduated 65 students.

The Department of Pastoral Counseling, CareNet, Inc., continues to develop its ministries. There are now 16 Christian counseling centers located across the state. The newest center is now open in Greenville and is the staging ground for serving northeast North Carolina. During the year these professionally staffed centers provided 27,293 hours of Christian counseling, making CareNet the largest pastoral counseling system in the United States.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc. continues to develop its mission of helping congregations become healthier communities of faith. Programs and assistance offered to churches include International Interim Ministry, strategic planning, staff and team development, and conflict management. Resources for ministers include: Young Leaders Program, Leadership Development Group, Interim Ministry Training, and Intentional Interim Ministry training. The Center has served an average of 21 North Carolina Baptist congregations a month during the past year.

Facts About Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center

– With more than 9,600 employees, we are the largest employer in Forsyth and Guilford counties.

– A Certificate of need was granted for a 47,000 square foot Downtown Health Plaza to be built replacing the Reynolds Health Center, which provides health care for underserved people in Forsyth and surrounding counties.

– Building strong relationships with the community is important to us. A recent survey indicates that Medical Center employees donate more than 30,000 hours of volunteer service a year to more than 300 different organizations in our area.

– Construction has begun on a 350,000 square foot addition atop Ardmore Tower. This will provide more space for Brenner Children's Hospital as well as additional operating suites and private patient rooms.

Additional Points Of Emphasis and Progress

New Dental Program For Indigent Children – Baptist Hospital has become a

major participant in a community partnership to provide dental care for indigent children. NCBH opened a dental clinic on May 8, 2000, where three dentists are treating hundreds of children who previously had little or no access to dental services. Children who had known dental pain as a way of life or who never had routine services because their parents could not afford it, are now being treated.

Physician Excellence – In 1999, 600 physicians in North Carolina were listed among "The Best Doctors in America;" 95 are WFUBMC physicians.

Nursing Excellence – Baptist Hospital was one of the first hospitals in the nation to receive Magnet Recognition for Excellence in Nursing, demonstrating exemplary nursing leadership and quality patient care from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the nations's leading nursing credentialing organization.

Ranked Among the Nation's Best – North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc., continues to be ranked among America's best hospitals in ten of 16 specialties, according to rankings published in the July 2000, issue of U.S. News & World Report. This ranking reflects the reputation of specialists at NCBH as seen by their peers across the nation.

Newest Treatment for Epilepsy – Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center offers a new treatment for epilepsy – a "pacemaker for the brain" that can help control seizures in patients who are not helped by medication and are ineligible for surgery.

Information/Appointments – For more information or to make an appointment with a physician, contact Health-On-Call at 1(800)446-2255 or 336-716-2255.

A Closing Word From The President

From its dedication on May 28, 1923 to the present, North Carolina Baptist Hospital has been committed to our mission of providing the highest quality health care to our patients and their families in a compassionate, caring manner. This report reflects how our mission and values of excellence, compassion, innovation, and integrity are lived out every day. As a Medical Center we continue to be one of the leading research centers in the United States. We provide a wide array of comprehensive health care, across the spectrum of life, to people with the most severe medical conditions. Most importantly, this care is provided one person at a time in a way that reflects the Spirit of Christ, whose healing ministry forms our very foundation.

Respectfully submitted,
Len B. Preslar, Jr., President
The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in increasing an awareness among North Carolina Baptists of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis. The uniqueness of the

ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased financial support. The Foundation accomplishes these objectives by offering assistance in estate planning counsel, Will preparation, planned giving, charitable remainder trusts, endowment funds and church fund management.

During 1999, the Foundation provided assistance to individuals in establishing 20 endowment funds and 12 charitable remainder trusts totaling $3.8 million and received $2.8 million in contributions to existing endowments all of which will ultimately benefit countless Baptist causes on a permanent basis. Programs were provided for 122 churches and associations during the year to promote Make Your Will Month, Christian estate stewardship, and church fund management. Over $3 million from churches and institutions came under management to enhance numerous ministries including scholarships, building funds, cemetery funds, benevolence funds, general operating funds and other various mission causes.

The Foundation employs professional money managers to invest these funds according to an investment policy adopted by its Board. Four investment pools are offered: a growth fund, a balanced fund, an income fund and a fixed income fund. The Foundation uses the services of Salomon Smith Barney to help select top money managers and evaluate performance.

As of December 31, 1999, the Foundation held $93,355,200 under management. This is an increase of more than $12.5 million over 1998. During 1999, $1,864,044 was distributed to individuals and $3,418,543 to Baptist work for a total distribution of $5,282,587. During the 80-year history of The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., $16,081,204 has been distributed to individuals and $25,723,551 to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $41,804.755.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Alford, Chair, Board of Directors
M. Clay Warf, Executive Director

INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD

It is exciting to share with you an overview of what God is doing through the International Mission Board. As we move into the 21st Century, it is evident that He has allowed us to be a part of the divine movement to reach the nations with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

God is working in an amazing way through Southern Baptists and Baptist partners overseas with whom IMB missionaries are affiliated. Last year 363,703 baptisms were reported and 4,748 churches were started on mission fields worldwide. The total membership of overseas Baptist churches exceeded 4.9 million.

Most Southern Baptists would assume that our international mission efforts have always focused on the whole world. After all, isn't that the intent of the Great Commission?

Jesus said to go and teach, or disciple all nations. The words He used were "panta ta ethne," meaning literally "all the peoples of the world." We are commanded to preach the gospel to every creature and to be witnesses to the uttermost parts of the earth. But until recently the whole world had yet to be targeted with evangelistic strategies.

Channels were found to place Christians in strategic locations, using their skills in roles not traditional for missionaries, in order to be witnesses. God has been at work to break down barriers in the communist world and call people to plant their lives in countries restricted to traditional "missionaries." Modern-day research has enabled us to identify the ethnic-linguistic segments of the world so that no one is left out.

For the first time the International Mission Board has been organized not just to administer where we have missionaries, but to target the whole world. It is no longer relevant to ask, "In how many countries do we now have missionaries serving?"

For the first time, every nation and every people group is within the mission focus and responsibility of IMB regional strategies. In order to reach the whole world, almost 20 percent of IMB personnel are in sensitive assignments where they cannot be identified as missionaries, where their names cannot be listed on the prayer calendar and where their pictures and news of their work cannot be included in publications. They focus on "The Last Frontier" of the Great Commission. Others are expanding their witness through people-group teams focused on starting church-planting movements to reach all nations.

Finally, after 155 years of Southern Baptist missions history, we are positioned to go into all the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Rankin, President
International Mission Board

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

"Partners in the Harvest"

It was 75 years ago that God led Southern Baptists to adopt an amazing system of mission support called the Cooperative Program. Not an end in itself, it became a means through which every church could have a part in the larger mission of reaching the lost through our nation and around the world and providing support for denominational ministries.

God has blessed this voluntary means of denominational support, which respects the autonomy of the local church as each church determines the percentage of its gifts which goes beyond its local ministries. It is a means of cooperation between state conventions and the agencies of the Southern Baptist convention in which funding is provided without churches being subjected to competitive appeals.

The annual Annie Armstrong Offering for North American Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions supplement the Cooperative Program, enabling us to send out the largest number of missionaries

of any U.S. evangelistical career missionary-sending agency without their having to raise individual support. State mission offerings provide for church starting and missions outreach in respective states and help keep evangelism the focus of who Southern Baptists are.

In this year, 2000, we are celebrating God's blessings in this anniversary year of the Cooperative Program, Southern Baptists are being challenged to give $750 million to the Cooperative Program and these combined mission offerings. That represents a significant goal – but one well within our means.

In 1998 Southern Baptist churches received $7.5 billion in offerings for all causes. More money went toward payments on indebtedness for buildings and facilities than all mission causes combined. An average of 92 percent of all undesignated receipts were kept and used by the local church.

What if we had a vision to work with our state conventions to saturate our states with new churches, a vision to win North America to the Lord and a vision to reach the nations of the world with the gospel? What if we realized how bountifully God has blessed us and were willing to channel our resources as partners to fulfill the Great Commission?

Southern Baptists traditionally have been guilty of an "ends/means" inversion. We often promote the Cooperative Program or focus on the Southern Baptist Convention as if they were ends in themselves. Even the International Mission Board is just a means for serving God's purpose of winning and discipling the nations.

The harvest is accelerating all over the world. We have an unprecedented opportunity to be on mission with God at home and overseas. God has blessed us with resources, but the Cooperative Program and missions offerings are not an end in themselves. They are a channel through which we all can be partners in the harvest.

As Americans revel in unprecedented economic prosperity, it is a time for us as Christians to acknowledge God's blessings in a renewed commitment to biblical stewardship and dedicated giving. This year, we have opportunity to reflect the seriousness of our dedication to God's mission as Southern Baptists.

Each family and church member can be faithful in tithing and giving generously and sacrificially to mission causes. Each church can increase allocations to the Cooperative Program. We all can be partners in the harvest. God will be glorified when we honor His lordship over our wealth and celebrate His blessings as Southern Baptists together.

STATE MISSIONS

North Carolina Baptists have numerous opportunities to respond to God's call to the harvest field. Many of these are made possible through the North Carolina Missions Offering and Week of Prayer.

The 2000 North Carolina Missions Offering and Week of Prayer has established the theme "North Carolina Partners in the Harvest." Your partnership in our statewide mission support effort sustains many of the

ministries through which our Lord sends workers to the harvest. By praying, going, and giving, we can reach persons for Christ. The goal for the 2000 NCMO is $2.5 million.

North Carolina Baptists have established themselves as a mission "giving" people. In 1998 North Carolina Baptists gave $49.2 million to mission causes through the Cooperative Program, North Carolina Mission Offering, Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. In the year ending September 30, 1999, North Carolina ranked second in the nation in gifts through the Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong offerings.

North Carolina Baptists are a missions "going" people. Responding to the tremendous need caused by Hurricane Floyd this year, North Carolina Baptists sent hundreds of disaster recovery work teams to the eastern parts of our state. Having established multi-year partnerships with Alaska, Southern Africa, and the Appalachian Mountain region, we are committed to "going" to these areas to share the gospel of Christ.

North Carolina Baptists are a "praying" people. Undergirding each of our missions and ministries are faithful individuals who lift us up in prayer each day.

Partner with other North Carolina Baptists to pray, go and give in support of the 2000 North Carolina Mission Offering and Week of Prayer. Join us as a "North Carolina Partner in Harvest."

Did You Know?

- Following Hurricane Floyd, Baptists served 935,787 meals from Disaster Relief units. More than 10,000 volunteers have supported the disaster relief efforts in the last year. Several have been our own church members.
- There are 75,000 seasonal farm workers in North Carolina.
- 3.5 million people in North Carolina are un-churched. Gifts to the NC Missions Offering provide start-up funds for the mission churches, helping them rent a space to meet, buy materials, and support a pastor.
- More than 60,000 girls have attended Camp Mundo Vista, including about 1,500 in 1999.
- Since 1963, more than 60,000 boys have been challenged to strengthen their Christian walk at Camp Caraway.
- Among U.S. states, North Carolina ranks third in the growth rate of its Hispanic population.
- North Carolina has one of the fastest growing Asian populations in the country. Between 1998 and 1999, our state's Asian population increased 87 percent. Most of these people come from a religious background that is not Christian.
- There are 25,000 people in prisons in our state. Gifts to the NC Missions Offering pay for inmates' course materials in the seminary extension program.
- There are eight deaf churches in North Carolina.

As you can see, our North Carolina Missions Offering provides support for many ministries through which the Lord of the harvest sends out workers. Each day, pray for these ministries and ask God to send workers to these needs. Consider how He is calling you to respond.

DISASTER RELIEF

This past year has been a very rewarding and humbling year for Mitchell County Baptists. In September of 1999 Hurricane Floyd devastated the East Coast of North Carolina. With this devastation came thousands of people left homeless and hungry and with very little help. Baptist men and women throughout North Carolina and especially Mitchell County responded quickly with financial aid and volunteer labor. In late September four of our Baptist men traveled to New Bern to help feed those left homeless and hungry. From September to early 2000 over 935,000 meals were served by North Carolina Baptist men and women. These four men were a small part in helping with these meals. In early October a team of 27 men and women traveled to Kinston to assist in the cleaning out of flooded homes. During this trip nine homes and families were administered to. The team went from being on the mountain top to being in the valley in a matter of minutes. They nearly had revival from helping one family clean up their home to getting a first hand look at twenty-five days of water standing six feet deep in homes. From the lady who had only eighteen dollars in her possession with her home totally ruined, to her neighbor who tried to pay the team for cleaning out her home, to the lady who could not watch us pull away for the tears in her eyes. Each and every one knew God was in control and they would rise above this devastation. This was a very humbling experience from the standpoint of feeling very helpless and wanting to help but not knowing what you could do and to what extent. Many friends were made and a lot of the team members received cards and letters from those who they helped.

In October, another team went to Grifton to survey the damage and to see where additional help was needed. The team met Mrs. Mabel Baker and decided to adopt her and help rebuild her home. Mable Baker and Grifton, North Carolina became the start of a wonderful ministry, involving over 110 men and women from Mitchell County. In December, 1999, Mable Baker's home was completed and the keys to her home was given to her before Christmas. With tears in her eyes and her hands toward heaven she gave God the honor and glory. To this very day she still calls or writes weekly thanking those who traveled fourteen hours round-trip to help her get back in her home. She told me this past week that she now has things that she only dreamed she could have and things she thought she would never have. She now has a clothes dryer, garbage disposal, gas logs and appliances she never had before while helping raise over 40 children in her 82 years of life. Mrs. Baker has been interviewed by various papers and magazines and every time she never fails to give the credit where it is due and that is to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

In January, 2000, another team traveled back to Grifton to see if God wanted this ministry continued. In Grifton, we met Mrs. Ella Willis and it was felt that God still had work for Mitchell county men and women in this area. Ella's home was adopted in February, 2000, and was completed in June, 2000. Ella is a lady, 65 years old, who loves God and is quick to give Him honor and glory. The first time I met Mrs. Willis, the first words from her was "Praise God, Praise God." The next thing she said was that "God makes no mistakes, this flood happened

for a reason and we will be better off after we recover." Every trip Mrs. Willis showed her appreciation by cooking and seeing the teams were fed real well.

In nine months two homes were rebuilt from volunteer labor, financial assistance and donations of appliances and household items from those in Mitchell County who wanted to be God's hands and feet here on earth.

Most recently Bear Creek and Berry Chapel Baptist Churches adopted families in Grifton and are near completion of these homes. May God bless their effort and look His love down upon them.

To all those who gave of their time, money, prayers and helped in so many ways, I sincerely thank you for being a friend in Christ and may God continue to bless you.

Below is a summary of the trips that were made to Grifton as of August, 2000:

- $24,000 was spent rebuilding in the Grifton and Kinston area. This was from donations of churches, businesses, individuals, and the Mitchell Association.
  These figures do not reflect items such as appliances, furniture and other household items that were donated.
- 17 families were ministered to
- 1 church is being assisted in rebuilding
- 1 mobile home was assisted in wiring
- 18 merchants and businessmen helped with materials, appliances and other items.
- Over 110 men and women have traveled to Grifton and the list grows with each additional trip – with several making multiple trips.
- 9 pastors have assisted
- 20 churches have participated
- 25 trips have been made
- 2 homes are in the process of being rebuilt
- ages 15 to 81 have participated (I'll not mention the oldest!)

In between rebuilding these two homes a trip to Phelps, Kentucky was made to help a pastor and his church that was in need. Ceiling insulation was installed, a drop ceiling in basement, painting, bathrooms redone, under-pinning of parsonage, hot water heater installed and a food and clothing pantry was established. This is a church in a poverty area of coal country that continues to need our prayers and support. Again, Mitchell County Baptists have reached out in prayer with a giving and loving heart. In all, nineteen men and women (7 pastors, 12 men and women) reached out as a servant of our Lord and Savior.

A special thanks to those people in the Avery Association who were so kind to assist us in all the work above that was accomplished. Your support was greatly needed and you were a very big part in helping to accomplish the task God put before us. Thank you so much for your generous donation, labor and teamwork.

Presently, we are involved in a food drive to help re-stock the food banks down east that have been depleted due to the flood. Already, several churches and individuals have come forth to help. I stand amazed at the willingness of God's

people to reach out in so many areas to help those that are unfortunate and in need. May we continue to walk together in Christ and to serve in His name.

Respectfully submitted,
Eddie L. Williams
Baptist Men's Director, Mitchell Association

WMU

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer was held at Bear Creek Baptist Church the first Monday night in November. This coincided with "Mom's in Touch" International Conference at Ridgecrest. So as God would have it our speaker for World Day of Payer was Padmini Samuel from India. We learned about her through her good friend, Beverly Williams. Of course, Padmini's topic was prayer (in particular, the power in the prayer by moms). How appropriate.

Each Christmas Baptist women from all across North Carolina provide gifts to fill approximately 1200 red boxes to be given to women inmates at North Carolina's Correctional Institute for women and Raleigh Correctional Center for Women. For many of these women our gifts, with a few smaller gifts from other groups are all they receive. As one woman said, "WMU has been my Santa Claus for the last 14 years". The words "A gift from Baptist Women's Missionary Union" are printed on the top of each box (a little larger than a shoe box). A hand signed Christmas card with the words "Women of Baptist churches in North Carolina" and a scripture tract are included in each box.

Each association's WMU in North Carolina is responsible for different items to fill these boxes such as gloves, socks, candy, gum, soap, etc. This past Christmas, Mitchell Association's WMU provided the money for gift boxes and cards. This is in keeping with our "ProjectHelp: Violence" that we have helped with the past two years. Winning women to Christ is the only lasting prison reform.

The Annual Associational WMU Meeting 2000 was held at Pine Branch Baptist Church on Saturday, April 1, with 106 people in attendance. Chuck Schwandt and Debbie Ford provided the special music. Our theme was "Grow in spiritual power and make disciples of all people."

Carolyn Diemer was our guest speaker. She lives in Lynchburg, Virginia and teaches at Liberty University. She is originally from Mitchell County (Carolyn Sparks) and was thankful to be back home to share what God is doing with her "Books Without Borders" ministry. This ministry started with a little book with a big and powerful message of the gospel. Carolyn wrote this book that has gone across the world. It has been translated into the Russian language and has reached thousands for Christ.

Carolyn and a team of volunteers will be going to Russia again in June to distribute over a million copies of her book to sailors and soldiers. The team will have the help of a Russian General who has become a Christian, whom the Lord allowed Carolyn to meet.

David Harding, from Bakersville, will be part of that volunteer team. He is the son of Joyce and Homer Harding.

Carolyn was raised in Bear Creek Church and was saved at a young age. Helen Miller was her Sunday School teacher.

Our own Callie Brown (home missionary) taught Carolyn in Vacation Bible School. Carolyn finished high school at Bowman and went on to Carson-Newman College. She went to New Orleans as a summer missionary. Callie was the one who met her at the time and would be the one she worked with that summer. Carolyn was thrilled to meet and talk with Callie again at the meeting at Pine Branch – 41 years later. Isn't it amazing how God works!

Carolyn will be permitted to take non-prescription medicines on her mission trip to Russia this summer. Our WMU groups collected these and brought them to the meeting. Our big basket was not nearly big enough to hold all that was brought. As always God gave us an overflow. We ended up putting them in garbage bags.

Our offering went to Carolyn's ministry, "Books Without Borders."

We were very pleased to have three pastors present. Max Holland (Bear Creek), Dallas Renfro (Little Rock Creek) and Randy Bonner (Western Carolina). Randy is a Church Planter serving in Western North Carolina. God is doing mighty things through him. We would love to see more pastors at our meetings.

Also we had our new WMU group from Little Rock Creek well represented. This day meeting was a big change from having our meeting at night for many years. A lovely lunch was served with a number of churches providing salads, breads and desserts. Our thanks goes to Pine Branch for again doing such a great job as hostess, and to Curtis Hughes and Helen Cate for making banners.

Thanks to all who helped and to God who provides so abundantly.

"To Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly more than we can ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us."

In June, our WMU sponsored a Baby Shower for Randy and Michelle Bonner at Walnut Avenue Activities Building. It was our delight to see all the lovely gifts given for "Baby Benjamin."

Our theme this year has been "Transformed to Help." "Grow in spiritual power and make disciples of all people."

Respectfully submitted,
Marlene Ayers,
WMU Director, Mitchell Association

BIBLE DRILLS & SPEAKERS' TOURNAMENT

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed but rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15

We had a great year in Children and Youth Bible Drills and Speaker's

Tournament this year. We had a very successful meeting on October 12, 1999, at Ledger Baptist Church with Rev. Stuart White as our Workshop leader There were 33 people in attendance with 15 churches represented.

We had a Skating Party in March for all leaders and participants. Businesses who donated to this event were PineBridge (free skating for all participants); Papa's Pizza gave us a good deal on pizzas; J.J. Gouge supplied our drinks. It was a fun day for all. Hardees and McDonalds gave the children free coupons for French fries and ice cream, which were given to them with their certificates at the Associational Drills.

The Associational Drills were held on Saturday, April 8. This was a great day seeing all the children and youth perform after all of their hard work and study. Each child was a winner in God's eyes. There are no losers in the Kingdom of God. God only requires our best and each child gave God their best. I truly appreciate every teacher, leader, judge, and timekeeper for all their hard work.

We were very impressed and amazed at the young children from Berry Chapel who performed for us after the drills were over. They begin Bible Drill for the very young children in the church. Praise God for what's going on there.

We had 50 children and youth who participated at the associational level this year. These children and youth are to be commended for their hard work.

The following children participated in the 2000 Associational Children's Bible Drill. An asterisk (*) indicates a three-year participant.

Bear Creek: *Ryan Jarrett, *Jessica Pitman, *Keisha Duncan, Cameron Jarrett
Beaver Creek: *Dustin Silvers, Kayla Ponder
Berry Chapel: Stefani Franklin
Chestnut Grove: Cassandra Robinson
Crabtree Chapel: Charity Biggs, Whitney Buchanan
First Baptist: Kathryn Canipe, Lauren Wilson
Freedom: Staci Freeman, Megan Hill, Ashley Thomas
Ledger: Amy Stewart
Mine Creek: Cara McKinney
Pine Branch: *Josh Sullins, Scott Franklin, Tyler Dellinger, Eric Burleson
Roan Mountain: Amber Bennett, *Josie Davis, Ben McKinney
Snow Hill: Rachel Grindstaff, Ashley Grindstaff, Melissa Buchanan

The following youth participated in the 2000 Associational Youth Bible Drill. An asterisk indicates a three year participant and a double asterisk (**) indicates a six year participant.

Bear Creek: Patrick Willis, Will Pitman
Berry Chapel: **Ashley Gentry, *Jordan Burleson, Bryant Greene
Chestnut Grove: Kyle Lyons
Crabtree Chapel: Faith Biggs, Bo Renfro, Amy Buchanan
Ledger: Aaron Buchanan, Zack Ferguson, Stephen Stewart, John Stewart
Mine Creek: Andrew Ziedell
Roan Mountain: **Kegan Silver, Josh McKinney

A special "congratulations" to our six-year participants. This is an outstanding accomplishment.

We had three participants in the Speakers' Tournament this year. This is open

to youth in grades 10-12 and only one participant can advance from the association. Our participants were Ashley Winters from Berry Chapel, Jessica Corn from Liberty Hill and Kristin Silver from Roan Mountain. They all did an excellent job and Kristin Silver advanced to the Regional Tournament at Valdese representing Mitchell Association.

Associational Children and Youth Bible Drills & Speakers' Tournament

A. What are we teaching our children and youth?
   1. Children and Youth Bible Drill and Speakers' Tournament

B. Where are we teaching?
   1. In our churches on any night that is best for children and leaders.

C. How do we get started?
   1. You will receive a Bible Drill Packet from the State Convention if you request one or I will be glad to request it for you. (This comes automatically, if you participated last year.)

D. What are the benefits?
   1. You are preparing children and youth to serve Christ. You are paving the road to salvation. You are setting the example that God laid out in Deuteronomy when He gave instructions to teach your children diligently God's Word. Deuteronomy, Chapter 6, Verses 7-9.
   2. You are helping them learn how to find key passages after they have learned the 66 books of the Bible in order, and believe me, they will need these passages as they mature into young adults.
   3. You are helping them to discover who they are and what their talents and abilities are.
   4. Speakers are learning how to share the Gospel in speech form. This is an asset to young people entering college. They become better equipped leaders. After researching their papers they are more aware of what's in their Bible and how it can help them in their every day life.

E. What are the use of commands and time limits?
   1. The commands of attention, start, and time are teaching children to be disciplined, to be ready to do what is necessary, and then stop. This is equipping children for God's army. God's army is made of disciplined individuals carrying out a task. Commands are important. Everything in life has a starting and stopping point.
   2. Another benefit is you are keeping their minds active and alert on the most important thing in life — God and His Word. You are maturing Christian leaders for the next generation. Did God not say to teach His commandments to your children and they teach it to their children and continue on so there will always be a remnant of God's people

until He comes back to rapture us out of this world. We are always complaining about what's wrong with this world — so we should do something to make things right — teach children and youth about the truth that is contained in God's Holy Word. If we don't do our part by giving the children the best then we shouldn't complain about the worst. We as Christians are responsible for giving our children the best training possible whether at home or in our churches.

Our goal is to train all leaders in the same way so all children will be doing the right procedures when we come together at the association and state levels. I think it is very important that all leaders, judges, and timekeepers be at this meeting. If you have any interest in these programs, please come and ask any questions you want. We will try to answer all questions to the best of our ability. Talk this up in your church. We want to see more churches participating – more children reached. May God richly bless all churches in our association. If you want to know more before the meeting, please all me at 688-2407.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Burleson,
Bible Drill Director, Mitchell Association

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

The local association as we have come to know it is going through a time of significant transition. It is no longer enough for us to try to major on resources, information, promotions and programs. The needs of our people and churches are changing. It is absolutely essential that the local association focus more on ministry-based objectives in the coming years in order to survive.

Our association is doing just that. From associational youth crusades to helping provide a chaplain at Blue Ridge Youth Center; from Vacation Bible School Clinics to Associational Bible Drills; from rebuilding homes in flood stricken eastern North Carolina to remodeling churches in the impoverished Appalachian regions of Kentucky; from starting new churches to providing Christmas presents to underprivileged children – we are doing our part to fulfill the Great Commission.

The past year has been good and it has been busy. But, as you can see from our statistical report, we have a long way to go before we can begin to pat ourselves on the back. When 5,000 of our own church members do not attend Sunday School, something is wrong. When 3,000 of our members don't attend church at all, something is wrong. When 35 churches with a membership of over 7,000 only reach 112 people for Christ, something is wrong.

It's time to right that wrong. In the coming year, your association will be working to increase Sunday School attendance, worship attendance and baptisms in the local churches. We will encourage our churches to extend their ministry by becoming involved in other mission efforts outside the boundaries of our

association. We will attempt to improve the fellowship of our association by providing more opportunities to come together as one.

We can accomplish these goals. Day by day, one objective at a time we must work together to do our part, to take God's love and hope to the ones living without!

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Whetstine

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Marshall	28753
Mars Hill	28754
Micaville	28755
Newland	28657
Spruce Pine	28777

HISTORICAL TABLE

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1849	Double Island	Moses Peterson	S.M. Collis	Moses Peterson
1850	Beaver Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	Reese Bayless
1851	Roan Mountain	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	John Buchanan
1852	Grassy Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	James Ray
1853	Laurel Branch	James Ray	S.M. Collis	S.M. Collis
1854	Big Rock Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	Jacob Silver
1855	Bear Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	L. Buchanan
1856	Crabtree	L. Buchanan	J.W. Peek	S.M. Collis
1857	Mine Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	J. Buchanan
1858	Bald Creek	James Collis	J.D. Howell	James Collis
1859	Roan Mountain	S.M. Collis	J.D. Howell	E.K. Blanton
1860	Pleasant Grove	L. Buchanan	S. Honeycutt	S.M. Collis
1861	Double Island	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	S. Byrd
1862	Zion	S.M. Collis	J.J. Jones	J.J. Jones
1863	Big Meadow	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	James Collis
1864	Pleasant Grove	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	S.M. Collis
1865	Beaver Creek	John Autrey	J.P. Dickson	John Autrey
1866	Crabtree	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	J.P. Dickson
1867	Mine Creek	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	J.W. Duncan
1868	Jacks Creek	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	Sam Wilson
1869	Roan Mountain	H.W. Briggs	J.P. Dickson	H.W. Briggs
1870	Laurel Branch	H.W. Briggs	W.A. Honeycutt	S.M. Greene
1871	Grassy Creek	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	J.C. Sparks
1872	Fork Mountain	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	J.W. Hollender
1873	Mt. Pleasant	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	S.M. Collis
1874	Bear Creek	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	Jess Whit

1875	Yellow Mountain	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	J.W. Putnam
1876	Roan Mountain	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	L.W. Sams
1877	Little Rock Creek	J.C. Sparks	J.W. Putnam	W.H. Ollis
1878	Grassy Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Greene
1879	Cub Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	E.A. Poe
1880	Cane Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Collis
1881	Rain Hill (TN)	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Collis
1882	Bakersville	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	S.M. Greene
1883	Bear Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Collis
1884	Roan Mountain	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	L.H. Greene
1885	Little Rock Creek	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	T.H. McCourry
1886	Toe River	L.H. Greene	S.M. Collis	S.M. Collis
1887	Elk Park	S.M. Collis	W.G. Buchanan	S.M. Greene
1888	Mine Creek	J.W. Duncan	S.M. Greene	E. Buchanan
1889	Grassy Creek	J.W. Duncan	S.M. Greene	J.C. Sparks
1890	Aaron	S.M. Greene	W.G. Buchanan	W.H. Ollis
1891	Fork Mountain	J.C. Sparks	D.W. Greene	L.H. Greene
1892	Big Rock Creek	W.G. Buchanan	J.W. Putnam	W.A. Robertson
1893	Big Meadows	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	J.W. Putnam
1894	Roan Mountain	L.H. Greene	S.M. Greene	L.H. Greene
1895	Lily Branch	L.H. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.W. Putnam
1896	Mt. Pleasant	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	G.P. Bostic
1897	Little Rock Creek	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	S.M. Greene
1898	Bear Creek	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	P.J. Shell
1899	Yellow Mountain	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	T.M. Honeycutt
1900	Bakersville	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	A.E. Brown
1901	Liberty Hill	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.B. Naugle
1902	Cane Creek	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.W. Duncan
1903	Aaron	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	L.H. Greene
1904	Roan Mountain	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	T.M. Reid
1905	Roaring Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	A.E. Brown
1906	Grassy Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	J.W. Duncan
1907	Bear Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	L.H. Greene

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1908	Silver Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	S.M. Greene
1909	Bakersville	L.H. Greene	W.F. Dodson	A.E. Brown
1910	Pleasant Hill	L.H. Greene	R.T. Teague	S.M. Greene
1911	Spruce Pine	L.H. Greene	W.W. Greene	J.C. Blalock
1912	Cane Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	A.D. Smith
1913	Fork Mountain	L.H. Greene	J.H. Phillips	J.C. Owen
1914	Lily Branch	J.A. Gouge	W.F. Dodson	C.P. Holland
1915	Bakersville	C.E. Greene	W.F. Dodson	L.H. Greene
1916	Little Rock Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	L.H. Greene
1917	Cub Creek	W.F. Dodson	C. Pritchard	A.E. Brown
1918	Liberty Hill	S.M. Greene	M.L. Buchanan	M.L. Buchanan
1919	Roan Mountain	S.M. Greene	W.C. Berry	J.A. Gouge
1920	Spruce Pine	S.M. Greene	C.G. Ellis	Isaac Grindstaff
1921	Lily Branch	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	C.G. Ellis
1922	Bakersville	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.C. Thomas
1923	Grassy Creek	C.G. Ellis	W.C. McKinney	C.G. Ellis
1924	Fork Mountain	C.G. Ellis	Clarence Johnson	G.P. Lanier
1925	Pine Branch	C.G. Ellis	D.W. Greene	C.G. Ellis
1926	Little Rock Creek	W.C. Berry	J.F. Greene	C.E. Maddry
1927	Toecane	J.H. Henline	D.W. Greene	J.H. Henline
1928	Bakersville	J.H. Henline	D.W. Greene	H.M. Stroup
1929	Cane Creek	J.H. Henline	M.C. Brown	C.G. Ellis
1930	Silver Chapel	J.H. Henline	M.C. Brown	H.M. Stroup
1931	Snow Hill	J.H. Henline	M.C. Brown	O.E. Sams
1932	Spruce Pine	J.H. Henline	R.N. Young	C.G. Ellis
1933	Roan Mountain	J.H. Henline	R.N. Young	J.A. Gouge
1934	Mine Creek	R.D. Campbell	Ralph Collis	J.C. Owen
1935	Black Mountain	R.D. Campbell	J.C. Greene	I.J. Ingle
1936	Bear Creek	R.D. Campbell	J.A. Hudson	J.H. Henline
1937	Beaver Creek	R.D. Campbell	C. Johnson	J.D. Hudson
1938	Lily Branch	R.D. Campbell	W.H. Pritchard	None Preached

1939	Cub Creek	R.D. Campbell	C. Johnson	C.A. Buchanan
1940	White Oak	R.D. Campbell	W.H. Pritchard	W.T. Baucom
1941	Snow Hill	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	R.D. Campbell
1942	Grassy Creek	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	R.H. Satterfield
1943	Roan Mountain	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Morris Elliott
1944	Spruce Pine	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Roy D. Keller
1945	Liberty Hill	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	G.H. Glass
1946	Toecane	C.A. Buchanan	Frank Parsons	Bruce Buchanan
1947	Silver Chapel/Snow Hill	R.D. Campbell	W.H. Pritchard	Floyd Ledford
1948	Bear Creek/Lily Branch	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	J.B. Folds
1949	Roan Mountain/Cub Creek	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	Mack Hodge
1950	Pine Branch/Chestnut Grove	Mack Hodge	Frank Parsons	Park Whitson/Ernest Canipe
1951	Beaver Creek/Mine Creek	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Lee Ayers/Victor Greene
1952	Calvary/Bakersville	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	J.H. Henline/Ernest Canipe
1953	Mt. Carmel/White Oak	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Dayton Jones/Ted Braswell
1954	Little Rock Creek/Grassy Creek	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Tyler LeRoy/Bruce Buchanan
1955	Liberty Hill/Cub Creek	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	M.C. Swicegood/Joe Sprinkle
1956	Ledger/Spring Creek	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Brown Jarrett/Fred Harrell
1957	Spruce Pine Central/Pine Branch	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Edd Burnett/Jay Hudson
1958	Spruce Pine, First/Roan Mt.	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Robert E. Seatz/William L. Heath
1959	Berry Chapel/Snow Hill	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	R.M. Cassity/J.A. Buchanan
1960	Bear Creek/Calvary	Tyler LeRoy	Howard Buchanan	Joe Pittman/J.A. Buchanan
1961	Roan Mountain/Bakersville	Tyler LeRoy	M.W. Blanton	Paul Ledford/Ben Lee Ray
1962	Bear Creek/Grassy Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Lloyd Gosnell/Bruce Buchanan
1963	Sp. Pine, 1st/Silver Chapel	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan/Ted Braswell
1964	Liberty Hill/Snow Hill	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bobby Seagroves
1965	Grassy Creek/Bear Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	W.D. Hudson/Wade Boone
1966	Lily Branch/Mt. Carmel	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Howard Buchanan/Erby McKinney
1967	Mine Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Vernon Buchanan/Jack Buckner
1968	Calvary	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	C.B. Dickenson/Clarence Buchanan
1969	Spring Creek/Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Hugh Borders/Wade Boone
1970	Altapass/Mt. Carmel	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Forrest C. Feezor/C.B. Dickenson
1971	Silver Chapel/Cane Creek	Joe Pittman	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel/Robert E. Seatz

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1972	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland/N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mountain/Pine Branch	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig/Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill/Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele/John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis/R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Creek/S.P. First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton/Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel/Beaver Creek	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps/Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Branch/Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield/Lee Ayers
1979	Snow Hill/Roan Mountain	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan/Gerold Grindstaff
1980	S.P. First/Mine Creek	Maurice Gilliam	M.W. Blanton	Jim Gore/Earl Henry
1981	Mt. Carmel/Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Astor Buchanan/Jim Mizell
1982	Bakersville/Grassy Creek	Howard Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Stuart White/Jack Callahan
1983	Liberty Hill/Berry Chapel	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Don Stafford/Ernest Howell
1984	Bear Creek/Pine Branch	Vernon Buchanan	Annabelle Blanton	Frank Blevins/Jay Orr
1985	Crabtree Chapel/Altapass	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	Garland Higgins/Sam Brewer
1986	Mt. Carmel/S.P. First	Frank Blevins	Annabelle Blanton	James Lankford
1987	Bear Creek/Grassy Creek	Walter Ponder	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff
1988	Berry Chapel/Roan Mountain	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Walter Ponder
1989	Liberty Hill/Bakersville	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Sibbald Lambert
1990	Bear Creek/Altapass	Jay Orr	Judy Greer	Dallas Renfro
1991	Mount Carmel/Crabtree Chapel	Larry Greene	Judy Greer	Astor Buchanan/Bob McCurry
1992	Liberty Hill/Cane Creek	Charles Murrell	Judy Greer	Steve Sisk/William Whitfield
1993	Freedom/Silver Chapel	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Martin Fisher/George Gouge
1994	Pine Branch/Snow Hill	Gerold Grindstaff	Judy Greer	Erby McKinney/David Troutman
1995	Bear Creek/Altapass	Dallas Renfro	Judy Greer	George Gouge/Tom Watson
1996	Beaver Creek/Roan Mountain	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Gerold Grindstaff/Russell McKinney
1997	Mount Carmel/Cane Creek	George Gouge	Judy Greer	Mark McKinney/Fred Proctor
1998	Pine Branch/Berry Chapel	David Troutman	Judy Greer	Matthew Stephens/Kenneth Gaskin
1999	Liberty Hill/Grassy Creek/	David Troutman	Judy Greer	Lee Ayers/David Johnson
2000	Freedom/Lily Branch	Steve Williams	Judy Greer	John Chick/Dallas Renfro

STATISTICAL TABLES

Congregation and Member Info

Legend: 1 -- Total Membership 2 -- Resident Membership 4 -- Other Additions Pastor Came 8-- Location (A-J) 9 -- AM Worship Att. 10 -- Church-Type Missions Start Assoc. Mis on % Basis 14 -- Intercessory Prayer

CONGREGATION	1	2	4	5	6	7
Altapass	341	335	12	0	1925	1987
Bear Creek	728	620	12	0	1830	1988
Beaver Creek	269	184	0	0	1906	1994
Berry Chapel	527	464	17	0	1934	1999
Big Crabtree	213	175	2	0	1925	1999
Big Rock Creek	50	35	0	0	1849	1983
Black Mountain	40	10	2	0	1872	0
Calvary	138	138	4	0	1949	1991
Cane Creek	121	121	0	0	1869	0
Central	254	197	3	0	1932	2000
Chestnut Grove	155	87	2	0	1923	2000
Crabtree Chapel	209	209	0	0	1966	1997
Fork Mountain	100	58	2	0	1861	2000
Freedom	289	289	14	0	1988	0
Friendship	72	72	0	0	1997	1997
Grassy Creek	549	381	13	0	1818	2000
Ledger	48	48	0	0	1953	1999
Liberty Hill	435	357	4	0	1866	1997
Lily Branch	237	177	3	0	1859	1995
Little Rock Creek	66	64	2	0	1884	1997
McKinney Cove	154	122	2	11	1888	1999
Mine Creek	141	132	8	0	1849	1997
Mount Carmel	421	160	3	0	1925	1994
Mountain View	52	28	0	0	1932	1999
Pine Branch	549	438	11	0	1921	0
Roan Mountain	241	178	11	0	1813	0
Silver Chapel	144	104	4	0	1885	1993
Snow Hill	225	218	2	0	1915	1989
Spring Creek	171	143	2	0	1916	1975
Spruce Pine First	573	417	27	0	1908	1998
Toecane	46	27	0	0	1916	1978
Vision Missionary	73	73	0	0	1998	1998
Western Carolina	27	27	0	18	2000	2000
White Oak	134	59	3	0	1884	2000
Total:	**7,792**	**6,147**	**165**	**29**		

5 -- New Member Training 6 -- Year Organized 7 -- Year
11 -- Church-Type Missions Operating 12 -- Lost/Unchurched 13 --

8	9	10	11	12	13	14
A	150	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	350	0	0	N	Y	N
A	68	0	0	N	Y	N
C	190	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	70	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	42	0	0	Y	N	N
A	13	0	0	N	Y	Y
A	65	0	1	N	Y	N
A	60	0	0	Y	Y	N
C	55	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	44	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	85	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	35	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	175	0	0	Y	Y	Y
C	40	0	0	Y	N	N
E	180	0	0	N	N	Y
C	42	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	125	0	0	Y	N	N
A	76	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	45	0	0	Y	Y	Y
C	80	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	100	0	0	Y	Y	Y
C	90	0	0	N	Y	Y
A	26	0	0	Y	N	Y
D	185	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	56	0	0	N	Y	Y
A	52	0	0	N	Y	Y
A	73	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	110	0	0	N	N	N
D	215	0	0	Y	N	Y
A	20	0	0	N	N	N
A	65	0	0	Y	Y	Y
C	50	0	0	Y	Y	Y
A	40	0	0	Y	N	Y
	3,072	**0**	**1**			

Baptism Info

Legend: 3 -- Baptisms Total 3a -- Baptisms 0-5 3b -- Baptisms 6-8 3c -- Baptisms 9-11 3d -- Baptisms 12-17 3e -- Baptisms 18-29 3f -- Baptisms 30-59 3g -- Baptisms 60+

CONGREGATION	3	3a	3b
Altapass	11	1	3
Bear Creek	2	0	0
Beaver Creek	2	0	0
Berry Chapel	13	0	3
Big Crabtree	6	0	1
Big Rock Creek	3	0	0
Calvary	3	0	0
Cane Creek	10	0	5
Central	2	0	2
Crabtree Chapel	1	0	0
Fork Mountain	2	0	0
Freedom	5	0	0
Grassy Creek	1	0	0
Ledger	5	0	3
Liberty Hill	7	0	1
Lily Branch	5	0	1
Little Rock Creek	3	0	0
McKinney Cove	11	0	6
Mine Creek	6	0	1
Mount Carmel	4	0	0
Roan Mountain	1	0	1
Snow Hill	5	0	2
Spring Creek	3	0	0
Spruce Pine First	11	0	0
Vision Missionary	3	0	1
Western Carolina	27	0	0
	152	**1**	**30**

3c	3d	3e	3f	3g
2	1	1	3	0
0	0	2	0	0
2	0	0	0	0
1	3	2	4	0
2	2	1	0	0
2	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	0
4	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
0	1	3	0	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
3	1	1	1	0
3	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	0
2	0	0	2	1
3	1	1	0	0
2	0	0	2	0
0	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0
2	4	0	3	2
1	1	0	0	0
4	5	15	3	0
41	**23**	**34**	**19**	**4**

Sunday School Info - Enrollment

Legend: 15 -- Total SS Enrollment 15a -- SS 0-5 15b -- SS 6-11 15c -- SS 12-17
15h -- SS General Officers 15i -- Other Bible Study 16 -- SS Avg Weekly Attendance

CONGREGATION	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15
Altapass	155	21	17	12	3	15
Bear Creek	411	12	40	32	89	48
Beaver Creek	68	6	7	12	2	12
Berry Chapel	160	2	18	19	20	10
Big Crabtree	73	8	10	7	10	11
Big Rock Creek	39	3	6	4	5	6
Black Mountain	13	2	2	2	0	0
Calvary	68	6	7	3	2	14
Cane Creek	65	5	5	5	4	8
Central	105	1	7	13	13	10
Chestnut Grove	51	2	0	4	5	0
Crabtree Chapel	83	6	12	5	4	11
Fork Mountain	36	6	3	3	5	2
Freedom	165	20	26	22	12	30
Friendship	35	2	0	6	1	1
Grassy Creek	234	10	23	40	25	24
Ledger	41	6	3	5	2	8
Liberty Hill	152	14	16	14	28	24
Lily Branch	76	2	8	4	3	1
Little Rock Creek	64	2	4	4	10	7
McKinney Cove	70	8	13	7	0	0
Mine Creek	126	17	9	20	7	1
Mount Carmel	133	10	14	13	13	24
Mountain View	30	3	3	2	0	6
Pine Branch	181	14	21	17	20	1
Roan Mountain	75	4	20	7	0	1
Silver Chapel	78	6	3	10	10	8
Snow Hill	59	3	10	7	7	1
Spring Creek	141	13	8	12	10	2
Spruce Pine First	264	4	13	38	36	1
Toecane	35	6	3	0	7	6
Vision Missionary	45	7	3	2	5	6
Western Carolina	37	5	4	6	2	1
White Oak	70	4	3	6	7	1
	3,438	**240**	**341**	**363**	**367**	4

15d -- SS 18-24 15e -- SS 25-34 15f -- SS 35-54 15g -- SS 55 up
17 -- Non-Cong Members 18 -- Vacation Bible School

15f	15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
12	15	24	36	98	14	0
91	90	9	0	295	8	147
10	17	2	0	49	0	54
25	50	6	10	125	10	200
12	10	5	0	70	5	55
12	3	0	0	38	0	35
3	6	0	0	13	0	0
12	24	0	0	55	2	61
21	17	0	0	55	4	50
15	42	4	0	51	4	35
6	24	10	0	38	0	28
16	25	4	0	58	5	63
4	4	9	0	23	0	25
25	26	4	0	105	10	84
8	14	3	0	33	4	32
27	28	12	45	159	0	90
5	12	0	0	25	8	49
36	16	4	0	101	0	70
12	34	2	0	47	2	50
22	15	0	0	50	18	69
21	12	3	6	53	7	91
12	35	11	0	62	12	75
6	50	3	0	76	15	108
3	13	0	0	30	0	0
34	49	7	0	137	15	121
15	17	2	0	56	4	83
8	30	3	0	52	0	20
10	5	2	0	45	0	54
23	33	8	0	105	12	63
90	40	7	26	142	25	50
0	5	8	0	27	4	15
6	55	1	0	40	5	63
2	1	2	0	27	0	32
25	10	5	0	52	10	62
629	**827**	**160**	**123**	**2,392**	**203**	**2,034**

Discipleship Training Info

Legend: 19 -- Total Ongoing Discipleship Training 19a -- Ongoing Preschool B-5 19d -- Ongoing Adult 18-up 19e -- DT Gen. Officers 20 -- Total Short-Term DT 20c -- Short-Term Youth 20d -- Short-Term Adults - Gen. Officers

CONGREGATION	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e
Altapass	22	0	2	2	16	
Bear Creek	100	4	10	20	60	6
Berry Chapel	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chestnut Grove	18	0	0	3	13	2
Crabtree Chapel	30	3	4	5	16	2
Freedom	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ledger	30	4	3	5	18	0
Lily Branch	19	0	3	3	11	2
Little Rock Creek	21	0	2	0	19	0
McKinney Cove	19	0	0	17	0	2
Mine Creek	0	0	0	0	0	0
Snow Hill	22	2	4	4	10	2
Spruce Pine First	27	0	5	22	0	0
Western Carolina	29	5	5	2	15	2
	337	**18**	**38**	**83**	**178**	**20**

19b -- Ongoing Child 6-11 19c -- Ongoing Youth 12-17
20a -- Short-Term Preschool 20b -- Short-Term Children
DTEN (19+20) -- Total DT Enrollment/Participation

20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
12	0	0	2	10	34
15	0	0	5	10	115
26	8	9	8	1	26
0	0	0	0	0	18
0	0	0	0	0	30
82	6	25	21	30	82
0	0	0	0	0	30
0	0	0	0	0	19
0	0	0	0	0	21
0	0	0	0	0	19
21	0	10	5	6	21
0	0	0	0	0	22
39	0	0	0	39	66
32	0	0	0	32	61
227	**14**	**44**	**41**	**128**	**564**

Music Ministry Info

Legend: 21 -- Total Music Ministry enrollment 21a -- Preschool 3-5
21b -- Children 6-11 21c -- Youth 12-17 21d -- Adult Choir 18-up
21e -- Other Music Groups

CONGREGATION	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
Altapass	70	5	8	9	37	11
Bear Creek	100	10	15	0	50	25
Beaver Creek	28	3	4	5	16	0
Berry Chapel	53	0	0	8	40	5
Big Crabtree	49	3	10	8	20	8
Calvary	34	2	7	0	25	0
Cane Creek	30	5	4	5	11	4
Central	21	2	5	3	11	0
Chestnut Grove	16	0	0	0	16	0
Crabtree Chapel	20	3	1	1	15	0
Fork Mountain	27	6	3	3	15	0
Freedom	75	4	11	20	40	0
Grassy Creek	30	0	0	0	30	0
Ledger	12	0	0	2	10	0
Liberty Hill	68	8	10	5	30	15
Lily Branch	25	0	4	4	17	0
McKinney Cove	55	0	10	15	30	0
Mine Creek	65	5	10	12	30	8
Mount Carmel	61	7	6	13	25	10
Mountain View	6	0	0	0	6	0
Pine Branch	67	4	14	17	32	0
Roan Mountain	52	12	6	0	22	12
Silver Chapel	30	0	5	5	20	0
Snow Hill	30	5	6	4	15	0
Spruce Pine First	88	0	11	22	35	20
Vision Missionary	20	0	0	0	20	0
White Oak	44	3	3	0	30	8
	1,176	**87**	**153**	**161**	**648**	**126**

Missions Involvement

Legend: 22 -- Miss. Project Participation 22a -- Local Community 22b -- State/National 22c -- Canada 22d -- International

CONGREGATION	22	22a	22b	22c	22d
Bear Creek	2	0	0	0	2
Berry Chapel	15	5	8	0	2
Big Crabtree	35	0	10	25	0
Calvary	2	0	0	0	2
Central	4	2	2	0	0
Freedom	13	0	13	0	0
Grassy Creek	15	15	0	0	0
Liberty Hill	42	29	11	0	2
Lily Branch	6	0	6	0	0
Little Rock Creek	6	5	1	0	0
McKinney Cove	2	0	0	0	2
Mine Creek	18	8	4	3	3
Mount Carmel	9	3	6	0	0
Pine Branch	7	5	2	0	0
Spruce Pine First	70	35	20	12	3
Vision Missionary	20	7	6	7	0
Western Carolina	25	25	0	0	0
	291	**139**	**89**	**47**	**16**

Missions Education

Legend: 23 -- Total WMU Enrollment 23a -- Ages Birth-5 23b -- Ages 6-11
24 -- Total Brotherhood Enrollment 24a -- Ages 6-11 24b -- Ages 12-17

CONGREGATION	23	23a	23b	23c	23d
Altapass	10	0	10	0	0
Bear Creek	70	10	12	15	23
Beaver Creek	8	0	0	0	8
Berry Chapel	74	10	17	25	20
Central	23	2	5	3	11
Crabtree Chapel	12	0	0	0	10
Freedom	20	0	0	0	20
Friendship	11	0	0	0	10
Grassy Creek	33	0	0	0	26
Ledger	6	0	0	0	6
Liberty Hill	18	4	7	7	0
Lily Branch	10	0	0	0	9
Little Rock Creek	13	0	0	0	12
McKinney Cove	8	0	0	0	7
Mine Creek	59	8	10	7	30
Mount Carmel	36	7	6	0	19
Pine Branch	63	2	13	12	35
Roan Mountain	21	0	0	6	12
Spruce Pine First	69	4	6	7	47
White Oak	10	0	0	0	9
	574	**47**	**86**	**82**	**314**

23c -- Ages 12-17 23d -- Ages 18 up 23e -- WMU Leadership Team
24c-- Ages 18 up 25 -- Other Missions Education

23e	24	24a	24b	24c	25
0	0	0	0	0	0
10	35	12	8	15	0
0	5	0	0	5	0
2	48	13	5	20	0
2	10	2	0	5	0
2	10	1	0	9	0
0	15	0	0	15	0
1	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	14	7	7	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0
1	8	0	0	8	0
1	0	0	0	0	17
4	0	0	0	0	0
4	19	1	0	14	0
1	39	12	12	15	0
3	0	0	0	0	0
5	53	4	14	20	0
1	10	0	0	10	0
45	**266**	**52**	**46**	**136**	**17**

Financial - General

Legend: 26 -- Undesignated Gifts 27 -- Designated Gifts 28 -- Other Receipts 37 -- Congregational Debt

CONGREGATION	26	27	28
Altapass	$143,297.00	$23,168.00	$0.00
Bear Creek	$367,712.00	$21,569.00	$0.00
Beaver Creek	$49,824.00	$10,326.00	$0.00
Berry Chapel	$112,807.00	$5,784.00	$0.00
Big Crabtree	$36,186.00	$9,636.00	$0.00
Big Rock Creek	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Black Mountain	$12,437.00	$0.00	$0.00
Calvary	$44,810.00	$2,000.00	$0.00
Cane Creek	$39,766.00	$9,383.00	$0.00
Central	$80,512.00	$11,436.00	$5,621.00
Chestnut Grove	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Crabtree Chapel	$62,046.00	$8,576.00	$0.00
Fork Mountain	$12,766.00	$4,000.00	$0.00
Freedom	$126,980.00	$38,651.00	$0.00
Friendship	$29,326.00	$2,885.00	$0.00
Grassy Creek	$163,988.00	$53,419.00	$0.00
Ledger	$51,087.00	$8,101.00	$0.00
Liberty Hill	$82,899.00	$7,611.00	$0.00
Lily Branch	$86,082.00	$26,817.00	$6,000.00
Little Rock Creek	$39,236.00	$19,375.00	$0.00
McKinney Cove	$78,500.00	$10,924.00	$0.00
Mine Creek	$47,858.00	$3,901.00	$0.00
Mount Carmel	$92,021.00	$2,694.00	$0.00
Mountain View	$5,831.00	$10,000.00	$0.00
Pine Branch	$158,889.00	$29,056.00	$6,797.00
Roan Mountain	$74,220.00	$16,577.00	$0.00
Silver Chapel	$54,141.00	$7,285.00	$9,365.00
Snow Hill	$41,501.00	$3,758.00	$0.00
Spring Creek	$73,291.00	$0.00	$0.00
Spruce Pine First	$276,495.00	$113,626.00	$29,061.00
Toecane	$6,891.00	$2,015.00	$0.00
Vision Missionary	$45,772.00	$22,920.00	$0.00
Western Carolina	$0.00	$4,000.00	$0.00
White Oak	$32,500.00	$1,000.00	$0.00
	$2,529,671.00	**$490,493.00**	**$56,844.00**

TRE -Total Receipts (26+27+28) 36 -- Value Cong. Property

TRE	36	37
$166,465.00	$400,000.00	$0.00
$389,281.00	$1,600,000.00	$0.00
$60,150.00	$700,000.00	$0.00
$118,591.00	$955,000.00	$0.00
$45,822.00	$150,500.00	$0.00
$0.00	$150,000.00	$0.00
$12,437.00	$241,801.00	$0.00
$46,810.00	$265,000.00	$0.00
$49,149.00	$220,000.00	$0.00
$97,569.00	$1,000,000.00	$0.00
$0.00	$496,300.00	$0.00
$70,622.00	$250,000.00	$9,500.00
$16,766.00	$150,000.00	$0.00
$165,631.00	$500,000.00	$0.00
$32,211.00	$115,000.00	$55,000.00
$217,407.00	$600,000.00	$0.00
$59,188.00	$400,000.00	$0.00
$90,510.00	$700,000.00	$0.00
$118,899.00	$625,000.00	$0.00
$58,611.00	$150,000.00	$0.00
$89,424.00	$265,000.00	$0.00
$51,759.00	$400,000.00	$5,000.00
$94,715.00	$420,000.00	$23,000.00
$15,831.00	$75,000.00	$0.00
$194,742.00	$1,080,000.00	$0.00
$90,797.00	$310,000.00	$0.00
$70,791.00	$550,000.00	$0.00
$45,259.00	$275,000.00	$0.00
$73,291.00	$220,000.00	$0.00
$419,182.00	$2,500,000.00	$68,000.00
$8,906.00	$77,000.00	$0.00
$68,692.00	$25,000.00	$6,000.00
$4,000.00	$0.00	$0.00
$33,500.00	$300,000.00	$0.00
$3,077,008.00	**$16,165,601.00**	**$166,500.00**

Financial - Missions

Legend: 29 -- Cooperative Programs 30 -- Assoc. Missions 31 -- State Missions
35 -- Non-SBC Miss. Exp. TME -- Total Mission Expenditures (29-35)

CONGREGATION	29	30	31	32
Altapass	$572.00	$3,568.00	$0.00	$2,291.00
Bear Creek	$20,000.00	$4,000.00	$3,000.00	$4,288.00
Beaver Creek	$4,827.00	$1,935.00	$568.00	$911.00
Berry Chapel	$7,422.00	$3,183.00	$75.00	$463.00
Big Crabtree	$0.00	$1,437.00	$0.00	$0.00
Black Mountain	$81.00	$622.00	$491.00	$82.00
Calvary	$0.00	$1,698.00	$896.00	$0.00
Cane Creek	$1,100.00	$900.00	$600.00	$571.00
Central	$7,232.00	$1,446.00	$335.00	$1,633.00
Chestnut Grove	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$552.00
Crabtree Chapel	$2,530.00	$1,518.00	$0.00	$905.00
Fork Mountain	$1,579.00	$265.00	$0.00	$211.00
Freedom	$0.00	$10,403.00	$6,660.00	$1,888.00
Friendship	$0.00	$450.00	$0.00	$0.00
Grassy Creek	$15,856.00	$3,200.00	$0.00	$4,123.00
Ledger	$0.00	$1,488.00	$0.00	$1,050.00
Liberty Hill	$2,400.00	$2,100.00	$0.00	$1,105.00
Lily Branch	$9,535.00	$3,873.00	$2,322.00	$3,584.00
Little Rock Creek	$0.00	$2,197.00	$1,609.00	$2,266.00
McKinney Cove	$2,150.00	$1,650.00	$604.00	$1,017.00
Mine Creek	$0.00	$961.00	$293.00	$308.00
Mount Carmel	$3,699.00	$3,143.00	$4,097.00	$1,146.00
Mountain View	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Pine Branch	$15,889.00	$3,353.00	$508.00	$2,027.00
Roan Mountain	$6,558.00	$3,573.00	$0.00	$1,580.00
Silver Chapel	$0.00	$2,670.00	$0.00	$1,799.00
Snow Hill	$3,279.00	$1,781.00	$495.00	$400.00
Spring Creek	$0.00	$1,510.00	$0.00	$0.00
Spruce Pine First	$24,500.00	$500.00	$1,573.00	$928.00
Toecane	$0.00	$300.00	$0.00	$0.00
Vision Missionary	$122.00	$890.00	$3,559.00	$751.00
White Oak	$0.00	$400.00	$0.00	$252.00
	$129,331.00	**$65,014.00**	**$27,685.00**	**$36,131.00**

32 -- Annie Armstrong 33 -- Lottie Moon 34-- Other SBC Miss. Exp.

33	34	35	TME
$2,568.00	$9,240.00	$14,973.00	$33,212.00
$20,000.00	$9,500.00	$82,133.00	$142,921.00
$1,278.00	$0.00	$0.00	$9,519.00
$1,314.00	$0.00	$3,200.00	$15,657.00
$0.00	$1,000.00	$2,202.00	$4,639.00
$227.00	$435.00	$1,200.00	$3,138.00
$500.00	$0.00	$420.00	$3,514.00
$1,102.00	$0.00	$0.00	$4,273.00
$3,053.00	$597.00	$3,443.00	$17,739.00
$1,000.00	$500.00	$0.00	$2,052.00
$1,070.00	$1,690.00	$13,202.00	$20,915.00
$415.00	$0.00	$565.00	$3,035.00
$4,591.00	$9,964.00	$11,363.00	$44,869.00
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$450.00
$8,833.00	$782.00	$10,900.00	$43,694.00
$1,500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$4,038.00
$1,526.00	$0.00	$0.00	$7,131.00
$4,913.00	$11,732.00	$4,392.00	$40,351.00
$1,809.00	$7,829.00	$2,363.00	$18,073.00
$1,775.00	$2,500.00	$7,150.00	$16,846.00
$300.00	$0.00	$3,000.00	$4,862.00
$1,548.00	$600.00	$0.00	$14,233.00
$0.00	$280.00	$0.00	$280.00
$10,000.00	$3,450.00	$5,751.00	$40,978.00
$3,178.00	$1,125.00	$2,666.00	$18,680.00
$4,000.00	$0.00	$6,051.00	$14,520.00
$745.00	$5,004.00	$36,318.00	$48,022.00
$0.00	$2,265.00	$7,080.00	$10,855.00
$58,667.00	$40,597.00	$32,750.00	$159,515.00
$200.00	$0.00	$0.00	$500.00
$467.00	$570.00	$946.00	$7,305.00
$645.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$6,297.00
$137,224.00	**$114,660.00**	**$252,068.00**	**$762,113.00**

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